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TURNING OF THE TIDE.

No observant person can fail to perceive that there has been a great change in the public estimation of the Democracy's chances of success at the polls in November. For ourselves, we have never entertained a doubt, since Mr. Bryan's nomination, of his triumphant election. Our reason for this belief, as expressed several times was based on the simple proposition that in a popular government the Democracy must always win in a contest against Plutocracy when it has occasion for being united, and that, for the first time since the war, it has, this time, such occasion in a candidate and platform that completely represent it.

The enemy's efforts were commensurate with his recognition of this fact, and hence we find the forces which Plutocracy can command arrayed against the Democracy as they have never been before in our history, not even excepting Mr. Jefferson's contest against President Adams at the birth of the party which he founded.

Strange as it may seem, or certainly ought to seem, the pulpit and the press—in the great centres of population and wealth where the voice of these two powerful agencies is most potent—have presented almost a solid front on the side of plutocracy. No doubt the press has largely been corrupted, but environment has had more to do with both press and and pulpit than anything else, while the conservatism of the latter has played the part which corruption has played with the former.

Be the causes what they may, the fact was patent. But even these bulwarks of the opposition have begun to give way under the unprecedented oratory of Democracy's champion beneath the very walls of the enemy's stronghold. Friend and foe alike have been compelled to admit that no such popular upheaval has occurred since the civil war. In other words, we are beholding the literal fullfilment of Vance's prophecy made but three years ago, and almost with his dying breath.

"The minds of the people are stirred," said the great Tribune of the People, "as they have not been before since the civil war," and even those whose secure possessions and placid enjoyment of them have taught them to despise the plain people are at last realizing that "in this fair land the thunderbolts of Jove dwell still with those whose voice is as the voice of God"!

With the genius of leadership, which is preeminently his, Mr. Bryan recognized the importance of forcing the all powerful press of the great cities to advertise the people's temper, and hence his persistent "waste of time," as the wise ones pronounced it, "in the enemy's country." The result has proved his superior judgment, and from now on, it is apparent, we shall have the enemy on the defensive.

A QUESTION FOR THE NEW YORK WORLD.

He is a wise man who can divine the secret springs that move the New York World in its devious political course. Just now it has turned upon Mr. McKinley because he will not declare himself in opposition to trusts and monopolies. Its yesterday's issue contains the following:

"Mr. McKinley hopes to get these ten States. [New York, New Jersey, Connecticut, Delaware, Maryland, West Virginia, Kentucky, Illinois, Indiana and Wisconsin.] He relies upon the public conscience of their Democratic voters. He has said that he admires these conscientious Democrats. But what has he done to show that he appreciates their sacrifices?

"Do they deserve some consideration?

"They show the highest public spirit, the noblest self-sacrifice. They are attached to their party. They believe in its principles, in its usefulness. Yet they help into power not only an odious party, but also a leader of that party who, as the extreme champion of an odious system of taxation, is in their eyes not without blame for the growth of tariff rings and monopolies. In return for this they ask no offices, no patronage, no political honors. They make one simple condition.

"And what is this condition? Merely a guarantee that Mr. McKinley shall stand for real popular self-government. Merely that he will enforce the laws already upon the statute books; that he will resist the aggressions of those powerful and oppressive combinations, the corrupt trusts, syndicates, pools and monopolies.

"Could they conscientiously ask less?

"Is it not palpably just? Is it not for the benefit of the whole people? Is is not in the interest of good government? Is it not vital to the Republic itself? Is it too much to ask of Mr. McKinley an assurance such as Mr. Bryan gives when he says: 'If by the suffrages of my countrymen I am placed in the highest position in the gift of any people in the world, every law shall be enforced against the great as well as the small'?

"What do *you* think about the trusts? Speak out, Mr. McKinley!

The World hits the nail on the head when it asks Mr. McKinley if it "is not vital to the Republic itself" that the President of this country should "enforce the laws already upon the statute books" and "resist the aggressions of those powerful and oppressive combinations, the corrupt trusts, syndicates, pools and monopolies?" It has been asking Mr. McKinley to speak out on this point for several weeks past, but he gives no sign.

Now let us ask the World a question. It declares that the course which it calls upon the Republican candidate to declare himself in favor of, in the event of his election, is "vital" to the existence of the Republic itself. That is to say, as an issue, the enforcement of the law by the executive head of the nation far transcends the money question, which, indeed, is but a problem of politics. It admits that Mr. Bryan, the Democratic nominee, has pledged himself, if elected, to enforce the law. If Mr. McKinley, the Republican, persists in refusing to pledge himself likewise, will the World transfer its allegiance from him to the Democratic candidate?

The appointments of Speaker Tom Reed and Senator J. B. Thurston, in this State, have been indefinitely postponed. Have the Republicans at last concluded to give up North Carolina?

BRYAN'S GREATEST TRIUMPH.

Notwithstanding the violence of the storm which raged on Tuesday night in New York as well as here and all along the Atlantic seaboard, Mr. Bryan was greeted by 50 thousand voters who braved the driving rain, that night, without shelter, in the streets leading to Tammany Hall. Even the World admits that it was an unprecedented demonstration; and it is more notable now than even after the Brooklyn demonstration, a week ago, that the effect of Bryan's speeches and the earnestness of the thousands who greet him have driven the enemy by sheer force to admit that there is in very truth a great popular upheaval that must be acknowledged and reckoned with.

All that is needed for Bryan's cause to win is that the people may know what that cause is. The great newspapers of the East, which supply so large a part of the reading matter of the people of all the States east of the Mississippi, at first endeavored to withhold the facts—notably when they described the Madison Square Garden speech as a failure. They have been restrained from attempting to repeat that falsehood by the overwhelming demonstrations which the public has not only seen for itself but in which it has so largely participated.

It is a strange doctrine to the serf-like thousands who inhabit the great metropolis to hear a high-placed public man speak such bold truths as Bryan utters. No wonder Wall Street grinds its teeth in fury. No wonder the Trusts and Monopolies stand at bay.

Here are some of the things that the Democratic nominee spoke in the citadel of Monopoly—things that long needed to be spoken there:

"There is nothing in the Chicago platform that would make the executive of the United States feeble in enforcing all of the laws of the nation, or feeble in defending the Constitution or of the nation, and there is nothing in that platform that assails the integrity or questions the honesty of the Supreme Court of the United States. (Great Applause.)

"Who is it that is so afraid that the law will be not enforced? (Cries of "Mark Hanna," "Gold bugs.") It is those very persons who would suffer most if the law were enforced—the ones who have violated the law. (Tremendous applause.)

"I am opposed to the trusts, and if I am elected I shall use as an Executive what power I shall have to drive every trust out of existence. (Great applause. A voice: "We believe you will do it.")

"If present laws are not sufficient to meet this evil, I, if elected, will recommend such laws as will meet it. (Great applause. A voice: "We know you will.") If the Constitution of the United States is so construed as to permit no interference with the operation of a trust I shall recommend such an amendment to the Constitution as will overcome that evil. (Great applause.)

Bryan at Harper's Ferry.

Mr. Bryan reached Harper's Ferry from New York on Wednesday morning and was met by a large crowd. He said in part:

The Chicago platform applies to present conditions the principles taught by Jefferson in the beginning and defended so courageously by Andrew Jackson, and when you find a Democrat who is not willing to stand by the Chicago platform you will find a Democrat in name but not a Democrat at heart. Democracy has a meaning, and that meaning is well understood by those who love Democratic principles, and in this campaign we find men who claim to be Democrats trying to fasten upon this country a system by which the banks shall issue money. Thomas Jefferson declared that banks of issue were more dangerous than standing armies. (Applause.) One reason why we know that we are standing in the position that Jefferson occupied is that he said that the men who wanted to turn over the business of issuing paper money to the banks called him a maniac, and they call us who advocate what he advocated lunatics. (Applause.)

I want you to remember that in this campaign those who advocate the free coinage of silver are the only ones who have a system of finance that they are willing to lay before the American people.

We are demanding free coinage of silver, as we have free coinage of gold; we are demanding unlimited coinage of silver as we have unlimited coinage of gold. We are demanding coining at 16 to 1, the very ratio that we have to-day. We are not asking that the silver dollar be changed nor that the gold dollar be changed, but that the American people shall have an opportunity to have both gold dollars and silver dollars to do their business with. (Applause.) A voice, "How about the fifty-three cent dollars?"

REPLY TO A QUESTION.

Some one asks, "How about the fifty-three cent dollars?" Well, I have known people who have been without dollars so long that a fifty-three cent dollar would be a godsend to them; but, my friends, they did not call the silver dollar a fifty-three cent dollar when silver was treated like gold. Prior to 1873 the silver dollar was a hundred and three cent dollar, measured by gold. They told us that they wanted to get rid of the silver dollar because it was too good, and now they don't want to bring it back because it is not good enough. They told us that they wanted to demonetize it because it went abroad, and now they are afraid to remonetize it for fear it will come back. (Applause.)

When our mints were opened to the free coinage of gold and silver on equal terms we did not have any trouble about silver being a cheap dollar, and when we open our mints again to silver on an equal footing with gold there will be nobody to complain of fifty-cent dollars, because a silver dollar will be worth as much as a gold dollar here and anywhere in the world. (Applause.)

Money is a matter of law. You can make your money scarce if you want to make it dear; if you are tired of seeing too much money all you have to do is to lessen the volume and the quantity will not trouble you so much. If money is so plentiful that you don't like to see it as often as you do now, I will promise that if you will vote for the Republican ticket you will not be troubled by seeing too much money for the next four years. (Applause.)

We have one hundred and fifty million dollars less in circulation to-day, according to the Treasurer's report, than we had two years ago; and if we have not got the volume down low enough you can get it down still lower by continuing the present financial policy and allowing syndicates to run this Government and substituting bonds upon the people instead of money in the pockets of the people. (Applause.)

The Change in New York.

It is apparent even from the admissions in the hostile New York press that a great change has taken place in that State within the past week in the attitude towards Mr. Bryan.

The following items in the Journal (the one New York Bryan organ) epitomize the general effect:

The Democratic State Executive Committee met yesterday. There is not much time left, owing to Senator Hill's interference, but Messrs. Danforth and Truman declared that the party would wage a contest in the remaining four weeks such as the State has not seen in years.

The wholesome effect of the Bryan meeting on Tuesday night was noticeable. A gentleman who had been reckoned a bolter called at headquarters and presented his check for $1,000.

"You may announce for me," said Mr. Truman, after the meeting of the Executive Committee, "that New York State will be thoroughly canvassed. Not a city, town or village will be slighted. Hundreds of enthusiastic workmen, who have studied the main issue, have signified their willingness to take the stump. All volunteers will be welcome. I am confident of success, because the people have taken the initiative."

"I am pleased," said Chairman Danforth, "at the rally to the old standard that is taking place. We are receiving assurances from hundreds of Democrats, each important in his community, assuring loyal support to the national and State tickets. Many of these letters and telegrams come from persons who have been counted as gold democrats.

"For a time in this city the trend of popular feeling seemed to be against the Democrats. This was more apparent than real, owing to the vehemence and persistence with which the opposition press under corporate influences talked against the Democratic platform and ticket. The masses have been loyal and now business men are coming our way.

"Much of this change is due to Mr. Bryan's admirable speeches. It began with his Brooklyn speech a week ago. Last night's demonstration eclipsed anything ever held in this city."

John C. Sheehan had the same experience that the State Committee had in reference to contributions. A prominent Democrat, who is on the Tammany roll, but who has been assumed to be a gold man, called at Tammany Hall yesterday and gave as a contribution to the Tammany campaign fund $1,000 in cash.

"I look for a tremendous amount of good from the meeting of last night," said Mr. Sheehan. "There never was such a meeting in the history of Tammany Hall. Several aged citizens of New York declare that the city never had such a wonderful outpouring of the people. The gentleman who contributed the $1,000 said that he was convinced of the earnestness of the people when he saw the waiting thousands stand in the driving rain."

Mr. Sheehan made the prediction yesterday that the Democratic ticket would carry this county by a big majority, and, predicating his opinion from what he has heard from Messrs. Bryan, Jones, Gorman and other leaders, that the Democratic national ticket would be elected by an overwhelming majority.

Endorsed by Mr. Sewall.

Raleigh News and Observer.]

Mr. Clement Manly, chairman of the Democratic State Executive committee, speaking yesterday afternoon about some few Democrats who were basing their objection to voting for the joint electoral ticket on the ground that it showed a lack of loyalty to Mr. Sewall, said:

"The action of the State committee in arranging the electoral ticket with the People's party, was the logical and intelligent action of different political parties, who have, on the great principle of the restoration of silver which they hold in common, nominated a mutual candidate to carry that principle into effect. I have been surprised and grieved that some Democrats did not seem to understand our position and did not know that the committee was acting with the sanction and approval of the highest party authority—those who have the National fight in charge—and that our action was in no way disloyal to our candidate for Vice-President. I received to-day the letter which I hand you from Mr. Sewall:

Madison Square, N. Y.,
September 29, 1896.

HON. CLEMENT MANLY, CHAIRMAN,
Raleigh, N. C.:

"Dear Sir: I have the honor of acknowledging the receipt of your favor of the 27th inst., informing me of the basis of fusion in your State, and asking whether it meets my approval.

"I believe that the friends of bimetallism ought to vote for an electoral ticket that will elect Mr. Bryan to the Presidency, and I thoroughly approve of the policy which unites the supporters of free silver in your State and every other State in the Union. It is the people's cause against monopolies, and no local differences or personal aspirations ought to prevent union.

Very respectfully yours,
"ARTHUR SEWALL."

Hay Street M. E. Church South.

[COMMUNICATED.]

A large congregation attended Hay Street church Sunday, and the pastor, Rev. Dr. Nash preached a sermon of great power from the parable of the Ten Virgins. The general expression of the congregation was "that was the best sermon ever heard." The time referred to by the term "then," meant the time of the Second Coming of Christ to judge the world; and the term "Kingdom of Heaven" meant the Church. He said by the term 'Church' he meant all the denominations of christians. That there would be members in all the churches who were represented by the wise and foolish virgins. He said the foolish virgins were those who made no provision for the future, and simply used their religious professions for the good they could get out of it in this life. He made a searching appeal to all present to be sure of their motives. The sermon abounded in epigrams that went to the heart, and thrilled his hearers. He exalted the church, and declared that the church did not need human benefactors. That it was not a beneficiary of the world, but the benefactor. Such preaching cannot fail to make a lasting impression. He took one member in to the church by baptism and profession of faith.

The choir, under the skillful leadership of Mrs. Robeson, rendered very fine music. This is one of the best choirs in the State. There was a good attendance at night, and the preacher discoursed on the *Omnipotence of Faith*.

The State Agricultural Department estimates that the recent storm destroyed one-fourth of the unpicked cotton in the fields.

Politics in California.

Correspondence of the Observer.

LOS ANGELES, CAL., Sept. 21, 1896.

At the present time there is no doubt as to how California will go in November. Bryan men estimate from 20,000 to 50,000 over McKinley. A few facts will bear out this estimate. There is a combined Democratic Populist plurality of at least 25,000. There are fully 15,000 Free Silver Republicans, making 40,000 from which may be deducted 5,000 gold Democrats, leaving 35,000 as Bryan's probable majority over McKinley.

If it were not for the Australian ballot system the Bryan majority could be greatly reduced, but now with the greatest precautions for secrecy, intimidation cannot well be effectual. This statement applies also to several other States which could be carried for McKinley with fraud and corruption, but these elements cannot prevail where this ballot system is in use.

In the city of Los Angeles there is a club of 2,000 Republicans who will vote for Bryan and a Free Silver congressman, but who will support Republican candidates otherwise. The Bryan Free Silver club which also includes some Republicans and Prohibitionists has 3,500 members. These facts are very significant of political conditions.

An attempt is made to enforce the idea that the panic of 1893 was caused by the Democratic policy on the tariff question. There are those who say that the panic in 1893 was caused by the tariff which went into full effect a year later, but to a reasonable mind this is absurd. The fact is, as most people know, that it was a monetary panic such as was prophesied in 1892 by Rothschild and other European financiers.

Your correspondent has made a special study into the causes of panics, and finds that no authority of rank holds that panics are connected with either forms of government or the increased or lowered rates of tariff duty. The panic of 1893 was due mainly to a bad and threatening money situation and to over-valuation which was necessarily followed by a fall in profits, forced sales and liquidation.

In Los Angeles the Republicans spent thousands of dollars to get up a great meeting only to find that half the big audience were in favor of Bryan. The South and West should elect the next President.

WM. F. BURBANK.

A Deserved Tribute to Col. Carr.

Raleigh News and Observer.

The News and Observer is enabled to print below a copy of a letter written yesterday by Chairman Manly to Col. Julian S. Carr. The sprit and style of the letter are as fine as were the happy and willing services which provoked it. The letter was as follows:

RALEIGH, N. C., Sept. 18, 1896.

MY DEAR SIR:—"In the name of the Democratic party, and all who love the honor and fair fame of North Carolina, I desire to return to you my most cordial thanks for your management of the Bryan special through North Carolina. The party was, indeed, fortunate in securing your good offices, and to your wise judgment and management, the aid of your committee, and the assistance of the local committees en route, is especially due to the splendid triumphal success of Mr. Bryan's trip through North Carolina. I trust you will assure your committee of my sincere appreciation of their efforts.

"The three days allowed to us of Sept. 16, 17 and 18, will long be remembered as triumphal days by the Democracy and the people of North Carolina.

"I have the honor to be,
"Yours truly,
"CLEMENT MANLY,
"Chairman."

"Col. J. S. CARR,
"Durham, N. C.

For Register of Deeds

Correspondence of the Observer.

Among the many names mentioned for Register of Deeds the most competent man should be selected, provided there is no popular demand for any other candidate and no serious objection to the man who is recognized as the most competent. All the gentlemen whose names have been mentioned could fill the office with satisfaction to the public, and they are all men of character; but it seems to the writer that none of the men mentioned has had a business experience which would better fit him for the duties of that office than Mr. H. I. McDuffie. It will be no mistake to nominate him. And while it is for the people to say who shall be the nominee, his name is respectfully suggested to the people as a man who by his business qualifications and by his long and earnest work for party principles in the past, is entitled to have his claims earnestly considered when his name comes before the convention.

CROSS CREEK.

Chairman Manly on the Situation.

The Raleigh correspondent of the Wilmington Messenger says:

Democratic State Chairman Manly was interviewed tonight and said: "The action of our State committee in arranging an electoral ticket with the populists was the logical and intelligent action of the different political parties who have, on the great principle of the restoration of silver, which they hold in common, nominated a mutual candidate to carry that principle into effect. I have been surprised and grieved that some democrats did not seem to understand our position and did not know the committee was acting with the sanction and approval of the highest party authority—those who have the national fight in charge, and that our action was in no way disloyal to our candidate for vice president. I received today the following letter from Mr. Sewall. [See the letter elsewhere.]

Mr. W. H. Oliver, Miss Bagby and Mr. Bryan.

At Goldsboro, the other day, in presenting a beautiful Emblem, Mr. William H. Oliver, of Newbern, N. C., said:

"In the name of Gertrude Bagby, of of Newbern, N. C., who while a school girl at Greensboro, N. C., several years past, predicted that William J. Bryan would be the nominee of the Democratic party, I take pleasure in presenting this Emblem."

It contains sixteen white tube roses and one yellow dahlia, representing our campaign phrase 16 to 1.

"Coin" Harvey put a Chicago bank into a predicament the other day by demanding his deposits in gold, knowing it would refuse. The goldbug papers suspecting that Mr. Harvey did it to gain a point for campaign use are now trying to kill its effort in advance by denouncing Harvey as inconsistent in demanding gold and advocating silver. Of course there is no sense in their bluff but they are so destitute of any sensible argument that, like a drowning man, they grasp at a straw.

Bismarck's Letter.

In view of the New York World's sensational attempt to discredit the Bismarck letter, it is worth while to reproduce the following Berlin dispatch, which we remember to have seen only in the Atlanta Constitution:

BERLIN, September 25.—The letter of Prince Bismarck to Governor Culberson, of Texas, sent in reply to a request from the latter to give his opinion on the silver question, was cabled back to this country and was published by the newspapers here.

Many doubts as to the authenticity of the letter were expressed by the German press, it being held by some of them that it was a campaign document prepared in the United States to aid the cause of the silverites. Inquiries that were cabled from several different sources in the United States showed that considerable doubt existed there as to whether Prince Bismarck really entertained the opinion set forth in the letter.

All doubt as to the authorship of the letter is now regarded here as having been set at rest.

The Hamberger Nachrichten, which is Prince Bismarck's organ, has printed Governor Culberson's letter, which was written last June.

In it the Governor says:

The great question of finance is now of supreme interest to the people of the United States. It is presented in various forms, but in a general way it may be said to be:

"First, whether the United States shall adopt the single gold standard, or

"Second, whether they shall adopt bimetallism with both gold and silver as the standard of primary money?

"The argument in favor of each is well known to you, but it is particularly insisted that we should adopt the policy of bimetallism because the supply of gold in the world for coinage is insufficient to meet the demand and because such standard will still further depress the values of all property.

"Which, in your judgment, is the best policy to adopt, the gold standard or bimetallism. Give your reasons. What effect, in your judgment, will the adoption of bimetallism by the United States have on the cause of bimetallism in Germany and other great commercial nations?"

Hoch McKinley!

The New York Journal contains a cartoon which represents Herr Most and Hanna seated in joyful communion on a gold plank. Above is Most's recent letter to Mr. Varnum, of Denver, as follows:

C. W. Varnum, Esq., Denver,

DEAR SIR:—I, like every other well educated man, have expressed the opinion that at present gold only can be used as a proper standard of value. * * I am, otherwise, no politician, but an Anarchist. Yours respectfully,

(Signed) JOHN MOST

Below is the following extract from Mr. Cleveland's annual message of 1888:

Communism is a hateful thing and a menace to peace and organized government. But the communism of combined wealth and capital, the outgrowth of overweening cupidity and selfishness, which insidiously undermine the justice and integrity of free institutions, is not less dangerous than the communism of oppressed poverty and toil, which, exasperated by injustice and discontent, attacks with wild disorder the citadel of rule.

GROVER CLEVELAND

(Signed)

Cleveland and Most! Bryan's two bitterest foes.

Some Questions for Cotton Buyers of Fayetteville.

Correspondence of the Observer.]

Why is it that cotton is selling for more money at the stations along the railroads than in Fayetteville?

I think we have the advantage over these places in transportation. Fayetteville is a railroad centre, and besides we have a line of steamboats running from here to Wilmington, N. C., giving us transportation by water and competition in freights. We have the advantage in banking facilities; we have a daily newspaper; Fayetteville has had the name heretofore of being the best cotton market in this country, and people from Sampson, Johnston and Harnett counties brought their cotton to Fayetteville and bought their supplies. How is it this season? People who live near this place are hauling their cotton to Wade and shipping to Dunn.

Mr John McCartan told me this week that people in his neighborhood were hauling cotton to Dunn this season. This cotton used to come to Fayetteville. It is going to Dunn for the only reason that it will bring more money in Dunn than in Fayetteville. There is something wrong. Fayetteville ought to keep up her reputation as a cotton market. Cotton is next thing to money and we must have more money before we have an improvement in business.

This is the cotton season, and we want it to move this way. People will buy their goods where they sell their cotton.

Yours for success to Fayetteville.

W. B. MALLOY.

The Test Vote on Fusion.

Correspondence of the Observer.)

MR. EDITOR:—Will you allow me through the columns of your paper to "Rise to a point of order." The report of the secretaries of the Democratic County convention which was held in Fayetteville October 1st, is substantially correct. The test vote as to fusion was as reported on a motion to "nominate a skeleton ticket." The motion was carried and a skeleton ticket nominated. No one was authorized by the convention to complete the ticket. The convention adjourned *sine die*, and is now "as dead as Hector." The Democratic plan of organization does not authorize the Executive Committee to fill vacancies on the ticket, neither has a body of "Representative Democrats" the right to fill the vacancies. The Populist convention authorized the County Executive Committee to fill the vacant places on the Populist ticket, but who on the part of the Democrats has the right to treat with binding force with the Populist Executive Committee as to fusion. When I went into the County convention I determined to abide by its decision, but I did not determine to abide by the action of an unauthorized Executive Committee or body of "Representative Democrats."

Respectfully,

Z. B. NEWTON.

R. J. Weber & Son, Piano and Organ Tuning and Repairing Company, are now located in Fayetteville, having made this permanent headquarters.

GOLD IS SENT.

Investors in the Dean Safe System of speculation receive semi-monthly dividends in gold. Over 300 per cent per annum made on investments by E. S. DEAN & Co., Bankers, 35 Broadway, New York. Investors of this firm disteributed all over the United States and Canada. Jay 31.

Highest of all in Leavening Power.—Latest U. S. Gov't Report

Royal Baking Powder

ABSOLUTELY PURE

CUMBERLAND COUNTY CONVENTION.

County Fusion Endorsed.

The convention of the Democratic party of Cumberland county was called to order at 12 o'clock Thursday by the chairman of the executive committee who set forth the tentative action already taken by him and others looking to fusion. The following were selected by the different precincts as committeemen for them severally:

COMMITTEE ON RULES.

Beaver Dam—Simon Smith.
Cedar Creek—Alex. Thaggard.
Blue's Sand Hill—H. E. Smith.
Flea Hill, No. 1—W. H. H. Wade.
Flea Hill, No. 2—W. G. Holmes.
Black River—J. F. Skipper.
McKay's Store—B. T. McBryde.
Kingsbury—W. B. Ray.
Eureka—A. McBuie.
Little River—J. A. Wright.
Quewhiffle—J. A. Blue.
Newton's, 71st—N. H. Smith.
Ray's, 71st—J. H. Currie.
Pierce's Mill—J. T. Sellers.
Hope Mills, No. 1—Z. B. Newton.
Hope Mills, No. 2—Jno. Smith.
Gray's Creek—W. H. Marsh.
Cross Creek, No 1—A. A. McKethan.
" No. 2—W. S. Cook.
" No. 3—J. M. Lamb.
" No. 4—N. A. Sinclair.

COMMITTEE ON PERMANENT ORGANIZATION.

Beaver Dam—P. P. Hall.
Cedar Creek—T. B. Hall.
Blue's Sand Hill—W. C. Fields.
Flea Hill, No. 1—H. A. McPhail.
" No. 2—D. G. Breece.
Black River—I. Strickland.
McKay's Store—T. Byrd.
Kingsbury—J. E. McLeod.
Eureka—G. A. McKay.
Little River—M. P. Blue.
Quewhiffle—J. A. McRae.
Newton's, 71st—E Daniel.
Ray's, 71st—D. Shaw.
Pierce's Mill—E. A. Poe.
Hope Mills, No. 1—J. B. Scott.
" No. 2—L. McDonald.
Gray's Creek—W. M. Clark.
Cross Creek, No. 1—J. E. Garrett.
" No. 2—Dr. J. W. McNeill.
" No. 3—J. R. Williams.
" No. 4—H. McD. Robinson.

During the absence of the committees Messrs. Hale, Green, Atkinson and Rose were successively called for and made stirring speeches in response.

The committee on permanent organization reported for chairman, H. McD. Robinson, Esq., and for secretaries Messrs. Louis B. Hale and E. M. Judd.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RULES

The committee on Rules and Resolutions submitted the following report:

That all voting shall be on the basis of precincts as a unit.

That the strength of the convention shall 156 as follows:

Cross Creek—No. 1, 10; No. 2, 10, No. 3, 10; No. 4, 10; Ray's 10; Newton's 10; Flea Hill—No. 1, 5; No. 2, 5; Quwhiffle 10; Rockfish 1, 8; Rockfish 2, 8; Gray's Creek 10; Jessup's Mill 5; Hales's School House 5; Cedar Creek 5; Blue's Sand Hill 5; Black River 5; McKay's Store 5; Kingsbury 5; Eureka 5; Little River 5, Pearce's Mill 5.

That a majority shall elect.

That the rules of the last House of Representatives of N. C. govern this convention.

That no proxies be allowed.

That nominations be made, commencing at the bottom of the ticket.

That the platform of the National and State Conventions be endorsed by the Democrats of Cumberland County.

Mr. J. G Shaw offered an amendment providing that every democrat be allowed one vote.

Mr. Jonn Underwood offered a substitute providing that each precinct have an equal vote, viz: 10 votes.

Mr. Shaw withdrew his amendment. The vote was taken by precincts upon Mr. Underwood's substitute, which was rejected.

Chairman McNeill then brought up that part of his opening address which referred to his action looking to fusion. He reported that the proposition which representatives of the Populists and the representative Democrats called together by him was to the effect that the Populists should take one of the legislators, the Democrats one, and the third to be chosen by both. The Populists to take the sheriff and the Democrats the register, or *vice versa*. The Populists to have one commissioner, the Democrats one, and the third to be chosen by both.

Mr. Shaw then proposed as a substitute, that a committee of five, with Col. W. J. Green as chairman, be appointed to confer with the Populist committee, then in session, and Col. Green supported that resolution.

A hot debate here ensued in which Messrs. Z. B. Newton and J. G. Shaw opposed fusion and Messrs. J. D. McNeill, A. A. McKethan Weldon Huske and W. J. Green defended it.

A vote was then taken on Mr. Shaw's substitute and resulted in 86½ ayes to 72½ noes.

The chairman declared the substitute carried and appointed as the committee, W. J. Green, J. D. McNeill, Henry Smith, P. N. Talbot and J. H. Currie.

A recess of 20 minutes was taken to await report of conference committee.

OFFICIAL REPORT OF THE CLOSING SESSION.

After a recess of thirty minutes the Convention reassembled and was called to order by Chairman Robinson.

The committee appointed to confer with the Populist Executive Committee stated they were ready to report which they did as follows: Our proposition of fusion was answered that they desired to fuse, provided the nominations of the Democratic convention should be subject to the approval of the Populist Committee, that is they had nominated a skeleton ticket subject to *our* approval, and simply asked that we do the same by them.

It was then moved and seconded that a skeleton ticket be nominated, after which followed considerable discussion pro and con. A vote was then taken which was carried in favor of fusion by a vote of 142½ to 13½.

The Chairman then declared that nominations for the various offices were in order, and suggested that they begin at the bottom of ticket and go up, which was done as follows:

The following gentlemen were placed in nomination for Commissioner: B. R. Taylor, E. A. Poe, J. M. Lamb, A. B. Williams. Mr. Taylor received 95½ votes and was therefore nominated, which was then made unanimous.

Col. Wm. Alderman was nominated for Surveyor by acclamation.

Dr. W. C. McDuffie was nominated for Coroner by acclamation.

The following gentlemen were placed in nomination for Register of Deeds: H. I. McDuffie, J. T. Bynum, J. Hector Smith, A. D. McGill, J. B. Huske, C. G. Cain. After several ballots Mr. A. D. McGill was nominated by a vote of 89½ which was made unanimous.

Mr. Jno. B. Troy was then nominated for Treasurer by acclamation.

The following were placed in nomination for Representatives: B. T. McBride, A. A. Harrington, S. H. MacRae, David A. Ray, and John Smith.

B. T. McBryde was nominated by a vote of 85½, which was made unanimous.

There being no other business before the Convention it was adjourned *sine die*.

H. McD. ROBINSON, Ch'n.

E. M. JUDD, L. B. HALE, } Secy's.

Police News.

Jno. Wheeler was tried and acquitted Friday morning, on a charge of assaulting a Dr. Williams in this city a day or two ago.

BROTHER AGAINST BROTHER.

In 'Squire Overby's office Friday morning was witnessed a remarkable sight. One brother was using every effort in his power to have his younger brother convicted of a charge of laceny, and that brother just a few hours' married.

It was at noon yesterday, and the minister had hardly pronounced the words which made A. B. Jackson, a young white man, and a Miss Hall, a beautiful young girl, man and wife, when Officer J. M. Faircloth appeared and arrested the bridegroom on a charge of larceny of an ox from his brother, B. A. Jackson. The case was tranferred to Magistrate Overby, and this morning the defendant was arraigned for trial.

After a hot fight, during which Mr. Cook, the defendant's counsel, stated with fine effect, that before he would prosecute his brother for theft he would rather have his right arm cut off, and Mr. Hall, the prosecuting attorney dramatically retorted that before he would steal his brother's ox he would rather have his head cut off, the trial was postponed until this week in order to allow the defendant time to summons some witnesses.

The prosecution alleges that the defendent stole the ox from his brother's field, brought it to Fayetteville and sold it to Mr. Troy Vann, took the proceeds and purchased a marriage licence and some other things, hurried home and got married. Mr. Vann has the ox and wants to know "how about it."

Thomas and Glenn at the Club.

Elector Thomas delivered an argumentative speech that showed much research, at the regular meeting of the Democratic Club Thursday night, and Mr. District Attorney Glenn followed in a short speech that made the boys fairly howl with delight.

The Bryan boom is a-booming in Cumberland now.

Woman's Realm.

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All that is beautiful and lovely in woman, finds its climax in motherhood. How often we find among our American women that longing for the prattling voice, the idol of their waiting hearts. It is a natural instinct, this yearning of the heart for offspring; yet the wife hesitates to talk with the family physician on this delicate subject. A good way to do is to send for "The People's Medical Adviser," 1000 pages, profusely illustrated (wood-cuts and colored plates). Sent on receipt of 21 cents in stamps, for postage and wrapping *only*, if you address the World's Dispensary Medical Association, Buffalo, N.Y. The reflections of a married woman are not pleasant if she be delicate, rundown, or debilitated. She feels "played out." Her smile and her good spirits have taken flight. It worries her husband as well as herself.

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The Democratic Nominees.

Messrs. McGill and McBryde, who were Thursday nominated by the county convention for two of the three places over which there was a contest—the Registership and the Assembly membership—are both men, as we had occasion to say when they were nominated for the same places two years ago, of the highest character. They are also men of ability and attainments, and will make a ringing canvass.

Capt. B. R. Taylor, who was nominated for county commissioner—the other nomination over which there was a contest—is the well-known and excellent street commissioner of the Board of Aldermen.

Now let the Democracy of Cumberland pull itself together, do what it is going to do with the determination to win.

It goes without saying that there are no better men than the gentlemen nominated by acclamation for the other offices as given in our report elsewhere.

Stolen Watch Returned by the Thief.

Last Monday Miss Kate Matthews discovered that her fine gold watch was missing from her dressing case. As it was impossible for any outsider to have entered the house in the day time without discovering, she very reluctantly suspected the servant girl, a woman in whom she had always placed the utmost confidence. Miss Matthews informed Chief of Police Flowers of her suspicion and he immediately hinted to the woman that she had better return the watch. The next day the woman returned the watch, saying that her son, a little boy, had taken it without her knowledge.

Dogs of All Sorts.

Mr. Jno. Thomson's fine bird dog for which he has been advertising has been found, but dead. Since his advertisement appeared Mr Thomson says that he has been called upon to inspect a greater number and a more curious assortment of dogs than he thought existed in Cumberland county. Dogs, from a gigantic mastiff to a wee rat-terrier, with a white ring around their necks have passed in array before his astonished eyes. Finally a dead one was hauled up for his inspection which proved to be the lost.

Cross Creek Convention.

Upon the adjournment of the county convention Thursday evening the different precinct delegations of Cross Creek Township met in convention to nominate seven magistrates and township constable. W. S. Cook, C. B. McMillan and J. E. Garrett were nominated for magistrates.

The present township constable, John W. Maultsby, was renominated by acclamation.

The convention then adjourned to meet next Thursday night to nominate the remaining four magistrates.

A Clincher.

During a hot argument Friday between a goldbug and a silverite, the goldbug made the statement that all prices were regulated by the law of supply and demand. "That's true," replied the silverite, "but when Bryan gets in there he will change the present vicious human-made law so that the law of supply and demand will have its natural effect on the price of money as well as the price of commodities."

Chairman McNeill requests us to say that the resolution of Mr. W. S. Cook—viz: That "a skeleton ticket be nominated and that the balance of the ticket be left to the County Executive committee"—was not properly reported in our issue of Friday.

There are only two more Saturdays on which to register—next Saturday and the Saturday following.

Register, Democrats and Populists. Remember that unless you register anew you cannot vote.

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FOR VICE PRESIDENT,

SEWALL, of Maine.

STATE DEMOCRATIC TICKET.

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FOR LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR:
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CHARLES M. COOKE,
of Franklin.

FOR STATE TREASURER:
R. F. AYCOCK,
of Wayne.

FOR STATE AUDITOR:
R. M. FURMAN,
of Buncombe.

FOR SUPERINTENDENT PUBLIC INSTRUCTION:
JOHN C. SCARBOROUGH,
of Johnston.

FOR ATTORNEY-GENERAL:
F. I. OSBORNE,
of Mecklenburg.

FOR ASSOCIATE JUSTICES SUPREME COURT:
A. C. AVERY,
of Burke.
GEO. H. BROWN,
of Beaufort.

SENATOR MORGAN.

Senator Morgan, of Alabama, next to Mr. Bryan, the greatest living American, will speak in Fayetteville on Friday. He will, as we announced three weeks ago, make two speeches in North Carolina, one here and the other at Wilmington. His speech in Fayetteville will be in the forenoon of Friday and his speech at Wilmington on Saturday night.

We are especially gratified that Fayetteville is to be favored with the great Alabamian's presence, because the people of this section have been taught, more than elsewhere, to esteem his great qualities.

In the OBSERVER of August 1st, 1895, we printed the full text (15 columns) of the speech delivered by Senator Morgan at the silver convention at Griffin, Georgia, on the 18th of July preceding. The leading editorial of that issue contained the following:

"It will be well for students of politics to preserve this issue of the OBSERVER, as it is the only paper in the State, except one, which has essayed to give the Morgan speech in full, and the only one which has given it complete in one issue and free from omissions.

"The importance of the speech lies in the fact that Senator Morgan is generally recognized as the ablest living American; and that, at a time when the renegades, Messrs. Cleveland, Carlisle and ———, are endeavoring to convince the people that the unconstitutional republican doctrine of money is the democratic doctrine, this great authority demonstrates the reverse.

"The question of who holds the true faith is a matter of the utmost importance at this time; for a mighty struggle is now on—a struggle to the death, between the democrats and the money power, for possession of the machinery of the democratic party. If the democracy can recover possession of the machinery of their party, they will declare for lawful money and for a Presidential nominee who will not betray them. With such a platform and nominee, they will sweep the country; for the majority must necessarily vote for what is the majority's interest. If, on the other hand, Mr. Cleveland's ring succeeds in wresting from the majority their party machinery, he will divide the majority. He will then either (1) take the nomination for himself, if he can make a suitable bargain with the republican machine, or (2) secure the election of a republican. In either case, his interests and those of his friends will be served, Cleveland "democracy" and republicanism being the same.

"As the speech stands, it is a complete exposition of the great issue upon whose settlement in favor of the democracy depends the perpetuation of our institutions. To the lay seeker after truth, it is a luminous and safe guide. To the politician and publicist, it is an arsenal of weapons of offense and defense."

POLITICAL STRATEGY.

Our excellent silver contemporary the Wilmington Dispatch contains the following:

"About ten months ago the Dispatch advocated co operation with the populists in North Carolina for the purpose of keeping down republicanism and to secure as good government for our people as was possible to obtain under the existing political conditions. At that time the Fayetteville Observer (one of the staunchest democratic journals in the state, and the only democratic paper in the state at that time besides the Dispatch that had the backbone to denounce Clevelandism and advocate fearlessly the free coinage of silver) regretted the step taken 'by our esteemed contemporary' (the Dispatch) in championing so extreme action as co-operation with the populists.

"The views of the editor of our able contemporary since then have undergone a change and we are glad to know now that we were right then and that the Observer and the Dispatch are to-day embracing the same views and laboring for the same ends. The following editorial clipped from the Weekly Observer of October 1 is virtually an endorsement of the course of the Dispatch ten months ago:

"The action of those newspapers and public men who profess to have bowed to the mandate of the majority as duly expressed at the Chicago convention, and yet refuse to take the only course—absolutely the only course—by which that mandate can be carried into effect, passes comprehension. The only rational explanation is that at heart they do not desire the triumph of democracy when its triumph means the election of Bryan and the passage of a free silver law.

"The plea that the Chicago convention nominated Bryan and Sewall and that that forbids those who recognize that convention's authority from voting a joint ticket by which Bryan will get the eleven electoral votes of North Carolina and Sewall six of them, instead of McKinley and Hobart getting them all, is unworthy of grown men.

"That the ordinary voter should at first fail to understand the peculiarity of the electoral system and therefore fail to understand that Bryan would not get the aggregate of the votes cast for him on a Bryan and Sewall ticket and on a Bryan and Watson ticket, was to be expected. But we must say that we can only view with astonishment the course of those informed politicians who act precisely as if they were the most ignorant.

"Not only does common sense dictate the course which has been pursued by the executive committee, but the only leaders the democracy knows, Mr. Bryan and Chairman Jones, have advised that that course be pursued.

"Yet our recalcitrants do not content themselves with a merely negative position. They adopt the course best calculated to defeat the Bryan electors and to elect the McKinley electors in North Carolina. They advise democrats to "scratch" the five populist electors, knowing full well that that is calculated to provoke retaliation from the populists against the five democratic electors, and that the consequent mutual scratching means republican victory in our state."

We quote the Dispatch's entire article because it is apparent that even our alert and friendly contemporary did not appreciate the OBSERVER's method.

Much further back than ten months ago, when the OBSERVER, single-handed, was engaged in its great struggle in behalf of Vance—viz: in the summer and autumn of 1893 when the whole power of the administration was exerted to crush him because he refused to sell out his constituents' interests in return for patronage for himself and his friends—much further back than the short period mention by our contemporary, the OBSERVER was advocating, in season and out, the repudiation of those practices which had driven the Populists out of the Democratic fold and the adoption of such a just and conciliatory course towards them as would win them back. When the anti-boss reaction in the Democratic party led to the movement for a silver convention on the 25th of September, 1895, irrespective of party, the OBSERVER took its stand against that co-operative proposition because the inevitable effect of such a movement, *if successful*, would have been to so weaken the silver faction within the Democratic party as to leave the party machinery wholly in the control of the then powerful goldbug faction. And the effect of goldbug control of the party machinery would have been the sending of a goldbug delegation from North Carolina to Chicago. And the result of this last named catastrophe would have been, as it turned out, that the silver forces at Chicago would have fallen short of the two-thirds necessary to control the nomination. And the result of this, that not Bryan, but a compromise candidate, like Stevenson or Morrison, would have been the nominee. And the result of this, that the Republicans would now be having a walk-over.

That is something like the house that Jack built, but no one, we think, will dispute the inevitable logic of that procession of events.

So overwhelming was the movement among the silver forces of the party in this State in favor of the non-partisan silver convention referred to, that it required all the backbone the OBSERVER possessed to oppose it. Nearly every prominent Democrat in Cumberland signed the petition for calling it, and so it was, we believe, at first, throughout the State. The OBSERVER did not question the motives of its brother silver Democrats who advocated the non-partisan movement, but it thought that the fight for constitutional principles should be made inside the only party that professed those principles, and that such a fight could only be successfully waged in this State by those who kept their acts strictly within its lines and under its authority. The result shows for itself.

As a counter proposition to the calling of a silver convention outside of party lines, and adhering to its basic idea of uniting the silver forces, the OBSERVER strenuously advocated the calling of a Democratic convention to open the primaries to all who would pledge themselves to union with us in case we presented a silver Presidential nominee on a silver platform. Events have shown that the majority of Populists would gladly have availed themselves of such an overture.

The proposition was not adopted, and hence the alternative kind of co operation which we now advocate became necessary. The other kind of co-operation proposed by us—a real fusion under the Democratic banner—was, in our opinion, far preferable, and every day that has passed since it was rejected has demonstrated the mistake of not adopting it. But, as we said two months ago in advocating the present plan, there is no reason why we should hesitate to embrace the only alternative that is now left merely because the better plan was not adopted when it was possible to do so.

THE ENEMY WEAKENS.

The result of Mr. Bryan's Eastern tour has been, as we remarked at the time it would be, to completely change the complexion of the campaign. There is no telling what may be the effect in New York, for example, by the time election day comes. Chairman Danforth of the Democratic executive committee of that State is reported in yesterday's New York Journal as saying:

"I am constantly receiving encouraging addresses from all parts of the State, showing that the tide is changing in our direction. The people seem to be getting at the true inwardness of the situation and to appreciate where their interests lie. This is a victory itself.

"There has been such a dense cloud of misrepresentation and distortion of the simplest facts thrown around the canvas by our opponents, that it seemed at first an almost hopeless task to remove the false impressions produced by such a system of campaigning. But this system has been overdone to such an extent that intelligent people are growing tired of it, and are manifesting unmistakable symptoms of disgust and restlessness. The cry of 'Anarchists' has lost its force, for the people are no longer deceived by it. Our opponents are learning to their cost that a campaign cannot be carried on by abuse alone.

"Mr. Bryan's recent visit here has left an impression that no other candidate has ever succeeded in producing. His earnestness, sincerity, irrefutable arguments and plain, straightforward reasoning have won over thousands of recruits to our ranks.

"There is no gainsaying the fact that Bryan's addresses in the twin cities of the Greater New York have made a revolution in quarters hitherto inimical to him. Business men, who were led to believe that it was their interest to oppose him, have experienced a change of heart since they heard his powerful, convincing arguments in favor of the cause of the people."

But granting, for argument's sake, that the whole East is lost us—which we do not do, however, for Hanna shows his weakness there by pouring out money in New York and Massachusetts and New Jersey—and that the battle ground is still the Middle West, how does the count stand to-day? Here is an estimate in Saturday's New York Herald (anti-Bryan) approved by yesterday's issue of that violent McKinley sheet, the Philadelphia Record:

State	Bryan	McKinley
Alabama	11	..
Arkansas	8	..
California	9	..
Colorado	4	..
Connecticut	..	6
Delaware	..	3
Florida	4	..
Georgia	13	..
Idaho	3	..
Illinois	..	24
Indiana	..	15
Iowa	..	13
Kansas	10	..
Kentucky	..	13
Louisiana	8	..
Maine	..	6
Maryland	..	8
Massachusetts	..	15
Michigan	14*	..
Minnesota	..	9
Mississippi	9	..
Missouri	17	..
Montana	3	..
Nebraska	8	..
Nevada	3	..
New Hampshire	..	4
New Jersey	..	10
NewYork	..	36
North Carolina	11	..
North Dakota	3	..
Ohio	..	23
Oregon	4	..
Pennsylvania	..	32
Rhode Island	..	4
South Carolina	9	..
South Dakota	4	..
Tennessee	12	..
Texas	15	..
Utah	3	..
Vermont	..	4
Virginia	12	..
Washington	..	..
West Virginia	4*	..
Wisconsin	6	12
Wyoming	..	..
Total	210	237
Necessary to election	224	

*The results in West Virginia and Michigan are exceedingly doubtful, but the probabilities seem to incline in Bryan's favor.

This is certainly an astonishing confession. A change of 14 votes from the enemy's table—four weeks from election day, and Bryan is just entering upon a canvass of Illinois and Indiana, which the enemy has to include in his table in order to make it as favorable to him as it is—a change of but 14 votes, and Bryan is elected! It seems hardly possible that these cannot be obtained somewhere in this array of States accorded by the table to McKinley, viz Illinois (24), Indiana (15), Iowa (13), Kentucky (13), Minnesota (9), Ohio (23), and Wisconsin (12), total 109. As to one of them (Illinois), Governor Altgeld, the most reliable political calculator in the Union, has just written as follows:

SPRINGFIELD, ILL., Oct 4, 1896.

Editor New York Journal:

I have been in all sections of the State, and I find the outlook very much more favorable than it was in 1892. We carried the State then by upward of 22,000 majority.

From present indications I will say that Bryan will sweep this State by a tremendous majority. Hanna's hirelings are making much noise, but the people are with us.

JOHN P. ALTGELD.

It must not be overlooked that the table also gives Maryland and Delaware to McKinley, both of which are claimed by the Democrats.

Watson is Making a Great Fight.

F. B. Arendell in Raleigh News and Observer.

The passing of Hon. Cy. Watson through the counties of Randolph, Montgomery and Stanly has been attended by a degree of enthusiasm that has hardly characterized the campaigning of any man within a dozen years. Mr. Watson has passed along from Asheboro and Randleman, in Randolph, along through Montgomery to Troy and from there to this point and has left in his wake an army of determined workers, thoroughly united and completely equipped for the great battle they are to fight on the 3rd of November. He spoke on Saturday last to over six hundred at Asheboro; on Saturday night to a vast crowd at Randleman; on yesterday to a large crowd at Troy and to-day to a court-house packed at Albemarle. The weather has been unpropitious. It has rained and rained and the winds have been wild and boisterous, but neither winds nor rains have kept the people away from the meetings. They have come from miles around, facing the winds and through the rains to hear Democracy's standard bearer. They have heard and cheered his utterances, grasped his hands in friendly greetings, assured him of their steadfast support and bid him God speed in his efforts to win for the people this great people's fight. Men of all classes, all conditions and of all parties have met him at these different points and at other places as he has travelled through these three counties and told him that, regardless of past opinion or party affiliations, they were going to stand by North Carolina's second Zeb. Vance and put him at the helm of the old ship of State that was manned so skillfully and so successfully by Vance himself.

Mr. Watson's speeches in Randolph, Montgomery and Stanly have been powerful thunderings from that great battery of logic and truth that has sent terror into the ranks of the enemy and made many of them acknowledge within my hearing that the fight to them is lost. He sent a thrill of enthusiasm and determination through the ranks of Democracy that has called to arms every laggard in the camp and encouraged him to line himself up for a united and determined fight for victory. It has been encouraging to see these vast crowds of honest toilers coming up from their homes in these three grand old counties, hundreds of them, with snowy locks and wrinkled brows, bringing with them their sons and grandsons and hearing them say, "sometimes in the past we have been divided, but we are all united now." One old gentleman pressed his way through the crowd at Albemarle to-day and grasping Mr. Watson by the hand, said: "I wish I had ten thousand votes to give you, but I have only got ten; I have seven sons and two sons in-law and myself, and there will be no division this year in my family. We feel, Mr. Watson," said the old gentleman, "that the fight that you and that great man Bryan is making is one fight and we are going to stand by you."

Hood's Sarsaparilla purifies the blood, overcomes that tired feeling, creates an appetite, and gives refreshing sleep.

The Battle Ground.

Yesterday Mr. Bryan began his invasion of the great Grain Belt, the Central West, where the tug of war is. The New York Journal's St. Louis staff correspondent, referring to his Memphis and Nashville tour made on Monday, goes on to say:

From there he will again invade Indiana. The rest of his time will be devoted to the central grain belt States, the real fighting ground of the campaign. Probably, all of the last ten days will be devoted to Illinois, where the signs point to a sweeping Democratic victory.

The Republican managers in Illinois are amazed at the vitality of the Democratic campaign. It is a prairie on fire, which breaks out and burns at a thousand centres and will not die. It is known positively that the secret Republican poll of Cook county, including Chicago, shows 100,000 "undecided" voters. To Democrats this means nearly as many votes for Bryan, for no man who intends to vote for McKinley has anything to fear from the corporation, banker, trust or other employer for whom he works. To the "undecided" vote, the Democratic managers claim, should be added 50,000 votes of those who, for policy's sake, declare for McKinley with the fully reserved intention of voting for Bryan. Add these to the acknowledged Democratic vote and Cook county shows an overwhelming Democratic majority.

REST OF THE STATE FOR BRYAN.

Outside of Cook county the State is irretrievably lost to the Republicans. The railroad employes stand an almost solid phalanx for Bryan and Altgeld. Eugene V. Debs has written a confidential letter to the Democratic managers embodying the reports from all the local secretaries of the Railway Union showing that there is not a single break in the line.

To add to Republican cares and troubles the "floaters," knowing that the Democrats have scarcely money enough for legitimate campaign expenses, are binding themselves into groups and demanding $100 a head for votes. The Democratic local politicians are encouraging this work among the foreign element whom Mark Hanna expects to control, and so effectively that they say his campaign fund will break his back of its own weight, and that it will cost him a million dollars to get the Republican vote out in Cook county, alone, with no assurance that McKinley will get their ballots, after all. Thousands, it is claimed, will take Hanna's money and then vote for Bryan.

It will carry some sense of satisfaction to the many who still believe in the efficacy of machine politics to know that Governor Altgeld, in addition to his intense Democracy and devotion to the Chicago platform and ticket, has built up the most wonderful organization which ever undertook to carry an election. It is not the machine of a campaign, but of ceaseless years of work. It enters every school district in the State of Illinois, and carries the names of every voter in the State. A constant series of reports is going up to the Central Committee in Chicago, and a counter current of instructions returns to the counties, townships and districts.

Mark Hanna's machine is a thing of shreds and patches, compared with the smooth working, noiseless political engine which answers to the command of Illinois' great Democratic Executive. So confident is Governor Altgeld of the result, that he has already set the pegs for 80,000 Democratic majority in the State.

HANNA'S CROP OF TROUBLES.

Mark Hanna is beginning to realize the troubles of a boodle campaign. He finds that his agents are not too truthful. For instance, until a month ago he firmly believed that the railroad employes had been thoroughly converted. Suddenly he saw a few straws which set him to studying the wind. Then he took a half dozen of his shrewdest and most trusted agents and set them moving through Iowa, Illinois, Indiana and Ohio, without knowledge of each other's movements. Their reports, separately, and from the same districts, showed that the railroad employes outside of the passenger train conductors, were practically solid for Bryan, and that the conductors had a majority the same way. Similar reports showed that the farmers were almost on the verge of a mass movement in the same direction, and that the break had already come in formidable proportions.

Then, it is said, Mr. Hanna adopted the shrewd plan of telling the railroad bosses to become conciliatory, and next he set the factors to work to ease the agricultural situation. He knew that low prices were a great moving factor with the farmers. Wheat must be started up, and wheat was started up. It will be kept advancing until the election is over. Corn, it is believed, is to be taken next, and by October 15 there will be a spurt in that grain. Five million dollars spent in booming wheat and corn would be a cheap investment if it only resulted in carrying the grain belt for McKinley.

ASTOUNDING ASSESSMENTS.

The funds for these unparalleled expenditures flow in smoothly. The basis of Hanna's assessments is already in the hands of the Democratic Managers, and if it is correct it is astounding. By these figures one-quarter of 1 per cent. of the deposits in all the banks in the American Bankers' Association is said to be the assessment ratio, of which over four-fifths have been paid in. Then there is an equal assessment on the capital stock of every solvent steam and street railroad in the country, and an even larger amount from the insolvent ones. The trusts are expected to pay one-quarter of their last annual dividend, not infrequently amounting to from 10 per cent. to 20 per cent. of their capital stock. Over and above this, the big capitalists are making special contributions and the protected industries are coming up with nearly as much as was produced in the old "fat-frying" days of '88 and '92. It is said by political managers here that Mr. Hanna will have the disbursing of $15,000,000 and that $75,000 will go into every Congressional district in which a fight is being made on the 1st day of November.

LUMBER-BRIDGE LOCALS.

Lumber Bridge has a new lumber bridge on front street.

Miss Pauline Stamps has entered the Greensboro Normal.

Misses Mary and Bessie McArthur and Mr. James M. McPherson paid a brief visit to relatives in Cumberland.

Mrs. Sarah Owens, of Cumberland, received a cordial welcome from her many friends here last week.

The Lyceum was agreeably entertained last Friday night by two solos of Miss Julia Archer Farrior, accompanied by Miss Lula McLeod.

Mr. Walter Love, accompanied his aunt, Miss Ellen Robeson, to the home of her brother, Mr. Walter Robeson, who is quite sick.

The date of the military picnic has been changed to Wednesday, Oct. 14th.

Rev. P. R. Law is hard at work getting things in shape, preparatory to building a new church.

The school boys will give a public debate in the near future.

Mr. George Ward, of Cumberland, is teaching about four miles from here.

Mr. Bryan to the Populists.

A St. Louis telegram of October 3 says:

William J. Bryan to-day gave out his letter accepting the Populist nomination. It reads as follows:

"Lincoln, Neb., October 3, 1896.

"Hon. William Allen, Chairman, and others, members of the Notification Committee of the People's party:

"Gentlemen: The nomination of the people's party for the presidency of the United States has been tendered me in such a generous spirit, and upon such honorable terms that I am able to accept the same without departing from the platform adopted by the national convention at Chicago. I fully appreciate the breadth of the patriotism which has actuated the members of the people's party, who, in order to consolidate the sentiment in favor of bimetallism, have been willing to go outside of party lines and support as their candidate one already named by the democratic party, and also by the silver party. I also appreciate the fact that while during all the years since 1873, a large majority of the democratic party and a considerable minority of the republican party have been consistent advocates of the free coinage of silver at the present ratio; yet since the organization of the people's party its members have unanimously supported such coinage as the only means of restoring bimetallism. By persistently pointing out the disastrous effects of a gold standard, and protesting against each successive step towards financial bondage, the people's party have exerted an important influence in awakening the public to a realization of the nation's political peril. In a time like this, when a great political party is attempting to surrender the right to legislate for ourselves upon the financial question, and is seeking to bind the American people to a foreign monetary system, it behooves us as lovers of our country and friends of American institutions to lay aside for the present such differences as may exist among us on minor questions, in order that our strength may be united in a supreme effort to wrest the government from the hands of those who imagine that the nation's finances are only secure when controlled by a few financiers, and that national honor can only be maintained by acquiescence in any policy, however destructive to the interests of the people of the United States, which foreign creditors, present or prospective, may desire to force upon us.

"It is a cause of congratulation that we have in this campaign, not only the support of democrats, populists and republicans, who have all along believed in independent bimetallism, but also the active co operation of those democrats and republicans who, having heretofore waited for international bimetallism, now join with us rather than trust the destinies of the nation in the hands of those who are holding out the delusive hope of foreign aid while they labor secretly for the permanent establishment of the single gold standard.

"While differences have always arisen in the settlement of details of any plan of co operation between distinct political organizations, I am sure that the advocates of bimetallism are so intensely in earnest that they will be able to devise some means by which the free silver vote may be concentrated upon one electoral ticket in each state. To secure this result, charity towards the opinion of others and liberality on the part of all is necessary, but honest and sincere friends who are working towards a common result always find it possible to agree upon just and equitable terms. The American people have proven equal to every emergency which has arisen in the past, and I am confident that in the present emergency there will be no antagonism between the various regiments of the one great army which is marching to repel an invasion more dangerous to our welfare than an army with banners.

"Acknowledging with gratitude your expressions of confidence and good will I am, very truly yours,

W. J. BRYAN."

Watson and Butler.

An Atlanta telegram says:

The publication in this week's issue of Thos. E. Watson's People's party paper, out to-day in an editorial attack on Chairman Marion Butler, of the Populist National committee, excited comment here and is considered significant in view of the rumors abroad that Mr. Watson may retire from the ticket. The editorial in question is as follows:

"Attempts have been made to show that Mr. Watson favored fusion in the State of Indiana.

"This is not correct. Mr. Watson took the position at the beginning of the campaign that no Populist could consistently vote for a single Sewall elector any more than he could vote for a Hobart elector.

"We filed with Chairman Butler a written protest against Mr. Butler's fusion policy. Mr. Butler has ignored Mr. Watson's protest and gone steadily forward on his own line.

"Mr. Watson's position is now what it was when the Georgia State convention met. He is for a straight middle-of-the-road ticket. In no other way can the Democratic managers be forced to abide by the St. Louis contract.

"Mr. Watson's position has been humiliating and embarrassing, and he has been compelled to submit to policies he did not approve."

Mr. Watson spoke at McDonough today. The Journal telegraphed its correspondent there to ask the Populist nominee to confirm or deny the report that he contemplated withdrawing from the ticket; and to also ask what he thought of the proposition that he and Sewall both withdraw and that a new man be substituted. Mr. Watson said he did not care to discuss the matter in any way. He did not refer to it in his speech.

BUTLER REFUSES TO TALK.

A Washington telegram says:

Senator Butler declined to make any comments upon Mr. Watson's editorial concerning fusion between the Populists and Democrats, when the Associated Press dispatch containing it was shown him. He also declined to give out the protest Mr. Watson says he sent to Mr. Butler against the latter's fusion policy, saying that Mr. Watson was the proper person to give it if it was to be given to the world. It is understood considerable correspondence has passed between the two gentlemen, and that while Mr. Watson in general has opposed fusion, Mr. Butler has repeatedly appealed to him not to stand in the way of it.

Officials at the Democratic and Populist headquarters in this city claim to have no information with regard to the report that Candidate Watson contemplated withdrawing from the Vice Presidential contest. While none of them desires to be quoted, it is evident the report is thought not well founded.

It is, however, considered possible that Mr. Watson, who has opposed fusion in Indiana and other States, may have expressed himself in a way to justify the report. The Populist National committeemen here, however, are quite elated over the accomplishment of fusion, notwithstanding Mr. Watson's protest. Senator Butler says it indicates the success of the committee's effort in the States where no fusion has yet been accomplished, and, above all, that the rank and file of the Populist party will show on election day that they regard the defeat of McKinley and gold monometallism as the paramount question of the campaign.

Senator Butler has not yet decided when he will issue his contemplated address, but it will follow quickly upon Mr. Bryan's letter accepting the Populist nomination, which is expected to appear within the next few days.

SENATOR BUTLER ON BRYAN.

His Election Would Carry Terror to Enemies of Good Government.

Correspondence of the Charlotte Observer.]

When Mr. Bryan spoke in Charlotte he was introduced by Governor Elias Carr. In his introductory remarks Mr. Carr introduced Mr. Bryan as the nominee of the Democratic party, making no reference whatever to the People's party, which also nominated Mr. Bryan at St. Louis. This offended many Populists in this and surrounding counties. Knowing the injustice done him by this sentiment and recognizing that he ought not to be made to suffer through the blunder of another, I did what I could to remedy the wrong done Mr. Bryan by calling the attention of Populists to the fact that he was introduced in the capital of the State by H. W. Ayer, chairman of the People's party of North Carolina and Populist candidate for State Auditor. Mr. Ayer introduced Mr. Bryan as the nominee of the Democratic, the Populist and Silver parties. I then wrote Senator Butler, chairman of the National committee of the People's party, about the matter. Following you will find his reply, which many of your readers would thank you to publish.

Respectfully,

WALTER R. HENRY.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Sept. 26, 1896.

HON. W. R. HENRY, CHARLOTTE, N. C.:

Dear Sir:—Your letter of the 23d inst. received and contents noted. As you say, the whole trouble arose on account of Mr. Bryan being introduced by Governor Carr, who either purposely or unconsciously blundered in his manner of introduction. In nearly every speech that Mr. Bryan makes he refers to the fact that he is the nominee of three parties, naming the respactive parties. Of course a man who is undergoing the strain that he is cannot think of everything, especially when he has only a limited time in which to speak. I have before me now, a copy of his speech delivered in New Jersey a few days ago. The chairman of the meeting introduced him as the nominee of the Democratic party, just as Governor Carr did in North Carolina. Mr. Bryan, in his opening sentence, corrected the man who introduced him by saying that he was the nominee, not only of the Democratic party, but of the People's party and of the Silver party, and went on to pay high tribute to the People's party as being the pioneer of these reforms. This, we must remember, he did right in the heart of gold-bugdom where, if any nerve was needed for him to be just to the People's party, it took more than it would have taken in Charlotte, N. C. The fact is, Mr. Bryan is as good a Populist as you or I.

Every impulse of his nature is on the side of the people in this tremendous struggle. He is opposed to everything that we are opposed to, and much as I admire Senator Teller and others who were spoken of for the Presidency, I want to say to you, here and now, that the election of Mr. Bryan would carry more terror to the enemies of good government than the election of any other man who was mentioned before the convention of any of the parties for that position. There is no man in the ranks of the People's party to-day that they would put up more money to defeat than they are now putting up to try to defeat Mr. Bryan. If he is elected, it will be a greater victory for the people than for any other party. In short it would be a victory for the people themselves and for no one else. With best wishes, I am very truly yours,

MARION BUTLER.

SEVENTY-FIRST ITEMS.

SEVENTY FIRST, Oct. 7.

Schools are opening in the various districts of our section; the following teachers began their work on Monday: Miss Annie Belle Malloy, of Lumber Bridge, at Glenebo; Miss Helen Townsend, at Pine Forest, and Mr A. C. Munroe, of Antonia, a the 'Wild West." Success to them all, and may the teachers from abroad have a pleasant stay amoug us.

The services at the Baptist tabernacle were very much enjoyed by all those in attendance upon them last week. The preaching by Rev. J. D. Moore was especially liked, as his earnest, practical persuasive sermons were well suited to the needs of every day life.

Communion services were well attended at McPherson's church on last Sunday. The interrior of the church has recently been remodeled and is now quite pretty.

Miss Mary Anna McCallum left last week for the State Normal and Industrial School at Greensboro.

Miss Christian McFadyen went to Red Springs last week to assume her duties as teacher in the Seminary there.

Raeford Institute is doing wood work. We hear that they now have 60 pupils. Miss McIntyre is teaching music. Prof. Currie has not yet come, being detained at home by the continued serious illness of his mother.

Miss Eva Parker, of your city, is visiting her aunt, Mrs. D. A. Blue.

Miss Flora Bishop, who has been spending some time with relatives here, left Monday for her home in Goodwater, Ala. Mrs. John Buie and Miss Louie Buie accompanied her to Savannah, where they will visit Mrs. John McEachern.

Perhaps a feeling of personal gratification was mixed with the natural township pride of your correspondent in consequence of Mr. A. D. McGill's nomination for the Registership, and some of us in 71st are very grateful indeed to Mr. McGill's friends who so loyally supported him in the convention.

Growing Children

One-third of all the children die before they are five years old. Most of them die of some wasting disease. They grow very slowly; keep thin in flesh; are fretful; food does not do them much good. You can't say they have any disease, yet they never prosper. A slight cold, or some stomach and bowel trouble takes them away easily.

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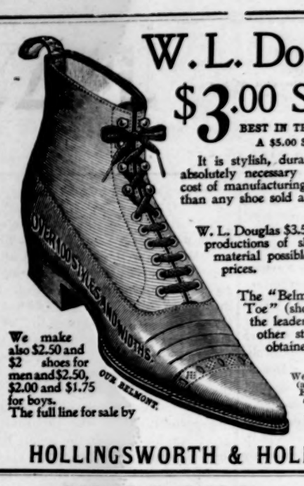

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Bryan's Triumphal Tour.

Mr. Bryan began work early Friday, making his first speech at Point Pleasant, West Virginia, at 6 A. M. Afterwards he spoke at Charleston; at Huntington (where great crowds poured in from Ohio and Kentucky as well as from West Virginia); at Covington Kentucky, to 10,000; and at Cincinnati, Ohio, to 10,000 in Music Hall, while unnumbered thousands filled the streets leading to it.

At Huntington he had this to say about

SOUND MONEY.

"You talk to republicans about the gold standard and they will tell you they are as good friends of the gold standard as anybody, yet you cannot find any club among the republicans which is called 'gold standard club.' What do you find? Sound money clubs. (Cheers.) Now, why do they use sound money instead of gold? Because they dare not tell the people what they mean by the term. They are using these words to deceive you. My friends, everybody wants sound money, but the question is, What is sound money? I will tell you what I understand sound money to be. Sound money is money furnished in sufficient quantities to form a safe basis for the business of the country. (Applause.) There is something necessary besides quality in money. Money may be good, splendid, but there may be none of it. (Applause.) It is of money as it is of food. You have to combine quality and quantity. Suppose that a person tried to feed himself on bread of the very best quality and yet not enough of it to sustain life. (Applause.) Suppose he tried to feed himself on meat of best quality but so very insufficient in quantity that he would be for lack of nourishment, would you call that sound food. Not a bit of it. (Applause.) And yet our opponents are trying to build up a financial system on gold alone when they are not able to find the gold to furnish the basis of their system. The gold standard is of no advantage unless you can find enough gold to furnish the standard money."

Random Remarks.

BY SHAWEN.

Correspondence of the Observer.

To say that a man's best friend may be his worst enemy is an anomalous expression which, at first thought, is not readily accepted as truth, and yet it is a sober fact that our most devoted friends may oftimes do us more injury than our worst enemy. To be sure, the friend unconsciously and unintentionally inflicts wrong. All that he says and does for us is prompted by the purest motive and under the truest impulse, yet he is one of those unfortunate blunderers, who invariably put their own worst foot foremost, who are given to inopportune speech and indiscreet actions.

Particularly does the public man suffer from these indiscreet friends. Unfortunately a man of the people cannot select his friends, nor dictate the conduct of those who declare allegiance to him. Necessarily he is so dependent upon public favor that he must accept Bill Jones, the scalawag, on the same footing with reputable John Smith. He is not likely to discourage the most offensive familiarity of Bill Jones, for the reason that Bill Jones' friendship and influence count for something at the ballot box.

It lends no honorable distinction to Mr. Office-seeker that Bill Jones speaks familiarly of him as his whilom friend and confidential chum, and yet, be is thus necessarily subjected to the most repugnant and effusive flattery from individuals who seek their own elevation by swinging on to the coat tails of great people or seeking their advancement through the boot-licking policy of politicians. Herein lies the self-abasement and degrading tendency of the political office-seeker. He must give the handshake of diplomacy and the approving countenance to one and all alike, regardless of the unworthiness of the many who bow the knee of adulation and who are offensive by reason of corrupt principles or vulgar boorishness. He dare not obey the dictation of finer instincts which tempt him to turn a cold shoulder to the plausive smile and fawning flattery which have no higher inspiration than selfish interests.

One can imagine the inward disgust and contempt of Mr. Office-seeker—who is really a man of superior attainment—when he is subjected to swaggering boast of loyalty from Bill Jones, or the self imposed dectatorship of the privileged bosses who halter him with party obligations. Fancy the indignation of such an office seeker when those who proclaim themselves as his faithful followers regale their enthused audiences with remarkable fiction in which he figures as the principal. In fact they give such graphic details of his daily life and doings that he is lost in silent bewilderment as to his own identity, and he consoles himself that as a public man is necessarily a target for public criticism so he is public property, to be handled at the will of the dear people.

Personal.

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June 4, 1896—tf

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Heavy Storm.

Correspondence of the Observer.]

ARGYLE, N. C., Sept. 30, 1896.

MR. EDITOR:—On Tuesday, the 30th, there was a dreadful storm in this section. Houses were shaken almost to pieces and men frightend almost to death, and a good many cattle were killed. Andrew Hardin lost a fine cow worth $25; William Bell lost his finest hog. Malcom Hardin concluded to get in the well to hide. Wm. Maner, Walter Smith, D. W. Hardin, G. W. Hardon and W. C. Hardon gave up their houses and left. Said that they could not stay in them, as they were fearful that they would fall in and kill them. D. W. Hardon was running out of the storm and was struck on the head with a limb. Trees were wrung off and fences destroyed. It was a fearful time.

Yours truly,

J. A. HARDON.

Our I's and.... ....Other Eyes.

Our I's are just as strong as they were fifty years ago, when we have cause to use them. But we have less and less cause to praise ourselves, since others do the praising, and we are more than willing for you to see us through other eyes. This is how we look to S. F. Boyce, wholesale and retail druggist, Duluth, Minn, who after a qu

THE OBSERVER.

FAYETTEVILLE, N. C., OCT. 8, 1896

Cumberland Fair November 11, 12, 13.

The Lumberton Fair comes off October 21, 22 and 23.

Vice President Stevenson will in a few days take the stump for Bryan and silver.

Dr. Cyrus Thompson, Populist candidate for Secretary of State, will speak in this city on October 17th.

Guthrie spoke at Smithfield yesterday and denounced those Populists who will support a goldbug for office.

Robinson & Franklin's Circus will show here on the 24th of October. Mr. Lambert, contracting agent, was in the city Tuesday.

Tonight (Thursday) the great competitive drill of the F. I. L. I. takes place at the Armory. Everybody is invited to attend.

Fayetteville's colored ex-postmaster B. H. Henderson has gone to Washington City to study medicine at Howard University.

The flag raising and general Democratic jollification takes place in Campbellton Friday night. "Old Zeb." will open the proceedings.

A President elected as a Democrat is now threatening to turn out of office all who advocate Bryan's election. Jas. H. Bibble United States attorney of the eastern District of Tennessee, is the latest victim.

A letter reached Raleigh yesterday addressed: "A. E. Holton, Hal. W. Ayer and Clement Manly, chairmen of the three parties." All three committees were called together in order to open it.

Fayetteville seems to be in hard luck in regard to appointments of big political speakers. We trust that the State committee will send us at least one speaker of national prominence before the campaign closes. Why not Senator Daniel, of Virginia?

If one wants to see a mammoth institution just let him step into Holt's Cotton Factory on Massey's Hill. The building, which has long since been completed, is now receiving the wonderful machinery. The many different machines are new and of the latest patent.

Daniel L. Russell, the Republican nominee for Governor, it is said is now making silver speeches throughout the State. This is an evidence that Mark Hanna has abandoned the hope of carrying the State and has given Russell permission to talk silver, if he chooses.

A gentleman received a letter Saturday from a friend, in which he says that in a private conversation with two prominent goldbug politicians, these gentlemen say that McKinley cannot possibly carry either Indiana or Illinois. One of them had just finished stumping both States in the interest of McKinley.

If politics get much hotter in this city the authorities will have to follow the example of some of the large cities and set aside a hall for political discussions.

At times the streets are impassible. There are only a few goldbugs in Fayetteville, but they battle manfully against overwhelming odds both in numbers and logic.

It gives us great pleasure to announce that Rev. D. D. McBryde, of Little River Academy, who has been seriously ill for sometime is improving, though slowly. "His condition," writes a correspondent, "though critical is more hopeful, but it will be a long time before he can be able to leave his room, being yet too weak to render any assistance to himself. He is confined to his bed entirely.

Died.

At Wade's Station, Thursday morning, at 9 o'clock, Mr. Daniel McDonald, in the 82nd year of his age.

Burglars in Lumberton.

Saturday night burglars broke into the railroad depot at Lumberton, blew open two safes and carried away $300. The burglars escaped.

The Fayetteville Presbytery.

Reduced rates have been granted by the C. F. & Y. V. R'y to delegates to the meeting of the Fayetteville Presbytery at Sanford next Tuesday.

A New Bicycle Path.

The bicyclists of Cumberland Mills are going to have a bicycle path constucted from that place to Fayetteville. The work will begin this week. This path will tap the Hope Mills path at Piney Bottom.

Officers Commissioned.

The Governor has commissioned the following officers in the Fayetteville Independent Light Infantry, viz: E. L. Pemberton, major; B. R. Huske, first captain; T. T. McGilvary, second captain; W. C. McDuffie, third captain, and Leighton Huske, fourth captain.

Immense Crowd But No Enthusiasm.

The Czar of Russia reached Paris Tuesday on his grand tour of Europe. Immense crowds witnessed the imperial procession from the train to the Russian embassy. The despatches state that the people showed no enthusiasm.

A Shooting Scrape.

Wiley Lord and Ed. Moses got into a quarrel on Person street Saturday night, which came near resulting in Moses' death. Moses called Lord "a one-eyed rascal," when the latter drew a pistol and fired at him. The ball grazed Moses' shoulder and sped on through the crowded street without touching a soul.

911 Registered.

When the books closed Saturday 441 persons had registered at the different precincts as follows:

In precinct No. 1	91
" " " 2	79
" " " 3	112
" " " 4	159

Saturday's total of 441 added to the 473 of the previous Saturday make 914 voters that have registered in Cross Creek the first two weeks of registration. Two more Saturdays' are left. The books open at 9 a. m. and close at 4 p. m.

Gen. John Gill.

At the meeting Tuesday of the stockholders of the Seaboard and Roanoke rail road, the old board of directors and president Hoffman, were re-elected. Both were upon the suggestion of Gen. John Gill, Receiver of the C. F. & Y. V. railroad.

Pearce's Mill, Attention.

Clerk of the Court Cyrus Murphy has ordered a new registration in Pearce's Mill Township. Mr. Murphy says that a change in the Township line made by the last Legislature was only called to his attention Saturday, hence this late action necessitating a new registration. This will give the voters of this Township only two Saturdays on which to register.

The Countryman "Get's There."

A number of gentlemen from this city in company with those two famous hunters, Messrs. Warren Carver and J. McP. Geddie went deer hunting in Cedar Creek Monday. Four deer were started, and the usual result followed, the countryman bagged the game. Our candidate for the Senate brought down a fine buck weighing over 150 pounds.

The Florida Election.

The Florida election took place Tuesday. It will be several days before the correct returns are in. The Democratic majority is estimated at 20,000. 15,000 was the highest claim of the Democrats. The Democrats elected all but ten of the legislators. The Populists fought the Democrats in this election, but will be fighting with them for Bryan from now on.

What Brought Him Here?

H. L. Grant, one of the leading Republican politicians of the State and Mark Hanna's recognized agent in North Carolina, has been in the city. It is rumored that he came here to try and break up the fusion between Democrats and Populists. We feel sure that our Populist friends will not be influenced by any of Hanna's money. No one can bribe the yeomanry of Cumberland.

Wrecks on the C. F. & Y. V.

Two wrecks on the C. F. & Y. V. occurred Friday. The south bound local freight, due here at 9:00 o'clock Friday night, parted near Manchester and when the engineer drew up at a saw mill to take on freight the detached portion, running down hill, thundered into it, smashing up 9 loaded freight cars. No one was hurt, fortunately.

The other mishap occurred on the Bennettsville branch near Hasty. Two cars on the north bound through freight due here at 1 o'clock Saturday morning, were derailed and partially smashed. No one was hurt.

Bryan in Tennessee.

Mr. Bryan travelled through Illinois and into Tennessee Monday. All through the night previous, people gathered at the places through which he passed, and cheered the flying train. He spoke to immense audiences in Memphis and Nashville. In the former place the people made the occasion a holiday. The banks and most of the stores closed up. At Humboldt, a small town, he spoke to 7,000 people. His pathway from the train to the platform was lined with young girls wearing Bryan and Sewall caps, blue blouses and white skirts, who waved flags and shouted a shrill welcome.

Police News.

The Mayor bound Wiley Lord and Ed. Moses over to court for their Saturday night's affray.

The trial of A. B. Jackson, charged with stealing his brother's ox, took place Monday before 'Squire Overby, and resulted in the boy's being bound over to court in the sum of fifty dollars. He failed to give the bond and was committed to jail. A strong effort was made to compromise the case by relatives and friends but the prosecuting brother would not hear to such a course. The young bride of the prisoner is said to be almost hysterical with grief.

On Election Day.

We heard a drummer say on Monday that he saw a friend of his, a railroad employe, in a large city, at a McKinley speaking, wearing a McKinley badge and shouting for all he was worth. The next day in a conversation with the McKinley shouter the drummer learned to his astonishment, that his friend was a great Bryan and Free silver man. When asked for an explanation, the man said, "O I have to shout for McKinley or lose my position, but on election day I will vote for Bryan, you bet." There are thousands upon thousands reduced to this humiliating condition all over this country to-day.

The Storm—McMillan Bros. Damaged.

The first reports published about the Savannah disaster were not exaggerated, The city was fearfully stricken, eleven lives were lost and over a million dollars worth of property was destroyed. McMillan Bros. works and other property was considerably damaged, but luckily it was all covered by cyclone policies.

In this State the storm raged with great fierceness, and much property was destroyed. Unpicked cotton suffered much damage, also.

Near Garner, the storm blew a tree across a dwelling and instantly killed Mrs. Trice. At Cary, a house was blown down and several other buildings were partially unroofed. The city hall was stripped of part of the tin roof. At Durham, a big tobacco prize house occupied by W. T. Carrington was wrecked. In it were 450,000 pounds of tobacco. It is said the loss is at least $50,000. The roofs of several of the big tobacco factories were blown off.

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Is He Seeking Notoriety.

We understand that at a sanctification meeting on the East side of the Cape Fear River the Rev. Mr. Futrell made a violent attack on the Fayetteville OBSERVER and the Cumberland Fair. We are informed that he advised his hearers not to visit the Fair, saying that if the country people refused to patronize it, it would be a failure. He also said that the OBSERVER was not much better than the Police Gazette, and that they should quit reading it. The gentleman says, forsooth, that the OBSERVER is like the Police Gazette because it advocates a county fair! Religion is religion, but something else is another thing.

Special Rates.

On account of the meeting of Fayetteville Presbytery at Sanford October 13 18, the C. F. & Y. V. R'y will sell round trip tickets at reduced rates.

On account of the colored Baptist State convention at Greensboro October 20th, the C. F. & Y. V. will sell round trip tickets at the following rates: Fayetteville, $4.65; Rural Hall, 2 25; Wilmington, 7.45; Maxton, 6.05; Sanford, 3.25.

The C. F. & Y. V. will sell round trip tickets to Salisbury on account of the Convention of the Women's State Home Mission October 7th, at the following rates: Fayetteville, $7.15; Sanford, 5.75; Maxton, 7.65; Wilmington, 9.95.

Immense Crowds and Wild Enthusiasm.

What a contrast to the dull and unenthusiastic crowds who witnessed the pageants attending the Czar's entry into Paris was presented by the glad thousands of freemen in our own land who were at the same time welcoming their great leader, Bryan!

Mr. Bryan spoke Tuesday at Jeffersonville, New Albany and six other places in Indiana before reaching Indianapolis, the capital, where he arrived in company with Governor Matthews at 1:15 P. M. He made four speeches in that many different parts of the city, and the press dispatches aver that the crowds were the greatest that have yet heard him. One of the crowds alone, they estimate at 60,000.

Republican Speaking.

H. A. Gudger, of Asheville, and C. A. Reynolds, of Winston, addressed a number of negroes in the Superior Court Room yesterday. The colored people displayed none of their old time Republican enthusiasm and McKinley's name was very grudgingly applauded. Gudger talked for Mark Hanna, and Reynolds discussed state matters. They both made old stock arguments, inflaming the negro against the whites and then in the next breath patting the Populist party on the back. Both speakers labored like they were paid advocates. Reynold's extravagant praise of Russell was coldly received.

We can well see why such men refuse to meet Democrats on the stump.

Democracy's Wonderful Champion.

Mr. Bryan made a dozen speeches on Saturday in Indiana and Illinois, winding up with a night speech in St. Louis, Missouri. He left Cincinnati at 7 o'clock in the morning, and all along his way the same enthusiastic crowds that have greeted him elsewhere came out to welcome him. Meanwhile, he found time to write the letter of acceptance of the Populist nomination which we give elsewhere, and which, it will be observed, is absolutely flawless as a public document issued under such unprecedented circumstances as surround this candidate and characterize this campaign.

Indeed, one of the most extraordinary features of Mr. Bryan's campaigning is the fact that, while boldness, candor and straightforwardness distinguish his utterances in an eminent degree, in neither of his letters of acceptance of his triple nominations, and in none of his two hundred speeches, has he let slip a single tactical mistake.

An Inch of Flesh Between Life and Death

On Monday Geo. Carver, of this city, cut and badly wounded R. E. Herring, of Sampson, in the back door of Pate's barroom on Gillespie Street. They are both white men. Carver and Herring were taking a drink in Pate's when Herring suddenly accused Carver of robbing him; Carver said it was a lie, and from that they got to quarreling. They walked out of the back door of the bar and just as they reached the ground Carver drew a knife and slashed at Herring's throat. A deep, gapping wound from the left ear to the chin, along the cheek, was the result. Herring, blinded by the great stream of blood and infuriated, sprang upon the slasher and beat him unmercifully until he was pulled off, weak and almost fainting. The wounded man was taken to Dr. McGougan's office and the wound was stitched up. The doctor says that the man is not seriously hurt. One inch lower and the man's jugular would have been severed and Carver would have been a murderer. Carver is an ex-convict, only recently having been released from the penitentiary.

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A DESPERATE BATTLE.

Two Deputy Sheriffs Shot—Two Laborers Wounded.

Gray's Creek yesterday was the scene of a desperate battle between deputy sheriffs J. K. Kinlaw and J. J. Pate, on the one hand, and J. D. Johnson on the other. It resulted in Mr. Kinlaw's receiving a pistol ball in the head, Mr. Pate's being shot twice through the chin, and two farm hands being slightly wounded, and Mr. Johnson's arrest as the perpetrator of the whole. Early this morning Messrs. Kinlaw and Pate started out to serve an attachment on the property of a negro tenant of Johnson's. They reached Mr. Johnson's place in Gray's Creek about 10, and Mr. Johnson ordered them not to take any steps in regard to his tenant, that most of his property belonged to him (Mr. Johnson), and that he would defend it with his life.

The officers, armed with the legal papers proceeded to descend from their buggy when Mr. Johnson levelled his shot gun and attempted to fire. Before he could execute his purpose, however, the gun was snatched from his hands. He thereupon drew a pistol from his hip pocket and opened a murderous fusilade upon the officers. They both sprang upon him, but before he was overpowered each had been painfully, if not seriously wounded. How many shots were fired is not known, but some went wide of their mark, and struck two farm hands in the field.

The deputies came to town in the afternoon with their prisoner, and his trial is now going on before 'Squire Overby. The wounds of Messrs. Kinlaw and Pate may prove more serious than at first apprehended, the doctors who attend them say.

Senator Morgan Unable to Come.

Since the editorial on the "inside" of this issue was put in type we have received the following:

Editor Observer:—

Will you kindly publish the enclosed telegrams which will explain themselves.

JAS. D. MCNEILL,
Chairman Ex. Com.

RALEIGH, N. C., October 3d, 1896.

J. D. McNeill:

Senator Morgan, of Alabama, will speak at Fayetteville on the 9th inst. Have advertised fully. Will leave on the evening train for Wilmington.

CLEMENT MANLY.

RALEIGH, N. C., October 5th, 1896.

J. D. McNeill:

Telegram just received from Senator Morgan says health prevents his coming to North Carolina.

CLEMENT MANLY.

This will be a great disappointment to our people. The eminent Senator's health has been feeble for some months past, and he was unable to attend the Chicago convention though he had started on his way there.

"I was troubled for a long time with an itching humor on the scalp," says Mr. D. P. Davis, Neal's Landing, Fla., "but at last, being recommended Ayer's Hair Vigor, I tried it, and a complete cure was effected." Everyone who has used it speaks well of this dressing.

Fads in Medicine.

There are fads in medicine as in everything else and a "new thing" frequently sells for a short time simply because it is new. But in medicine, as in nothing else, the people demand and will be satisfied only with positive, absolute merit. The fact that Hood's Sarsaparilla has stood its ground against all competition, and its sales have never wavered but have remained steadily at the top, demonstrates, beyond any doubbt, the intrinsic virtues of this medicine. The new things have come and gone but Hood's Sarsaparilla rests upon the solid foundation of absolute merit and its power to cure, and its sales continue to be the largest in the world.

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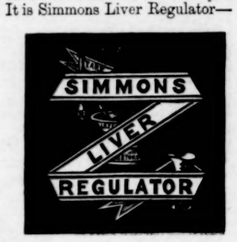

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September 7, 1896. H. R. HORNE.

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Commissioner's Court.

The Board of County Commissioners met in regular session Monday with the following members present: J. M. Lamb, chr'm., W. Doug. Smith, J. H. Smith, J. T. Sinclair and Morris Hall. The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The application of Margaret Howell for county aid, was refused, and upon motion, she was allowed to go to the Home for the Aged and Infirm.

On motion, it was ordered that the tax certificates for lands sold by Sheriff Geddie and bid in by the County, be turned over to Capt. N. W. Ray for collection.

The chairman J. M. Lamb, and the County Attorney, N. W. Ray, were authorized to make sale, if practicable, of the lots known as the old jail lot, and County lots near St. John's Square.

It was ordered that a notice be posted at each end of the Clarendon Bridge, warning all persons against riding or driving faster than a walk over said bridge.

The application of J. H. Pridgeon, a disabled Confederate soldier to be allowed to peddle in Cumberland County without paying the license tax, was allowed.

The following is the list of jurors for November term, 1896:

FIRST WEEK.

D. M. Beard, W. B. Parker, E. F. Jones, W. J. Brock, Oliver Groton, (col.) J. H. Capps, Wm. Maxwell, Jr., Andrew Melvin, (col.) Angus G. Bain, Holly Lucas, W. J. Elkins, J. A. Campbell. Jr., J. F. Worrell, B. Hales, W. W. Crummon, A. Moore, Murdoch C. Campbell, C. Giles.

SECOND WEEK.

Gilbert McDuffie, J. P. Smith, John N. Prior, W. L. Hawley, E. W. Arnett, N. P. Thames, John A. Patterson, John Westley Muse, Duncan L. Monroe, Neill Fry, (col.) John Lucas, Wiley Godwin, G. E. Buie, J. B. Hall, (col.) Josiah Cook, T. A. Hall, D. J. Anderson, A. L. Porter.

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Send your address to H. E. Bucklen & Co., Chicago, and get a sample box of Dr. King's New Pills. A trial will convence you of their merits. These pills are easy in action and are particularly effective in the cure of Constipation and Sick Headache. For Malaria and Liver troubles they have proved invaluable. They are guaranteed to be perfectly free from every deleterious substance and to be purely vegetable. They do not weaken by their action, but by giving tone to stomach and bowels greatly invigorate the system. Regular size 25c. per box. Sold by B. E. Sedberry & Sons, druggists.

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Libel Notice.

Seized at Fayetteville, the 4th District, North Carolina, on the 17th day September, 1896, One Barrel Apple Brandy, about 40 gallons, for violation of Revenue Law. Supposed owner, W. Williams, King's N. C.

Any person claiming interest in said property will file claim before me at my office at Raleigh within thirty days from date of this libel notice, to show cause why said brandy shall not be forfeited to United States.

Given under my hand and seal this the 29th September, 1896.

F. M. SIMMONS,
Collector 4th District North Carolina.

Libel Notice.

The following personal property was seized by Deputy Collector Troy from James A. Burns, Fayetteville, 4th District of North Carolina, October 3d, 1896, for violation of law.

2 Copper Stills complete, with Caps and Worms.
13 Casks of Corn Whiskey —537 gallons.
12 Beer Tubs.
3 Empty Barrels.
1 Pump, Faucet and Gallon Pot.

Any person claiming interest in said property will file claim before me at my Office at Raleigh within thirty days from date of this Libel Notice, to show cause why said property shall not be forfeited to United States.

Given under my hand and seal this 3d October, 1896. F. M SIMMONS,
Collector 4th District North Carolina.

Sale of Valuable City Property.

By virtue of an order of the Superior Court of Cumberland County, made September 5, 1896, I shall sell at Public Auction, at the Court House door in Fayetteville, on Monday, October 12, 1896, at 11 o'clock A. M., the following valuable property, in the City of Fayetteville, N. C., belonging to the estate of M. Faulk, deceased, to wit:

That valuable property on Green street adjoining F. W. Thornton and others, and known as the "Magnolia House;" Five Houses and lots, near the cotton factory pond, sold to M. Faulk by A. A. McKethan, Commissioner, and described in the deed of conveyance; House and Lots on Person street, known as the Hardie House, with two lots on Adam and Kennedy streets; House and Lot on Mumford street, adjoining Kelly and Lily; House and Lot on Frink Ailey, described in a deed from Robert Wooten; House and Lot on Person street, near the Half-way bridge, described in a deed made by Heman R. Hall to said M. Faulk; House and Lot on Moore street, adjoinning Evans, and described in a deed made by Dallas Perry to said M. Faulk; House and Lot on Wilmington road, known as the Nathan McAllister lot.

This is valuable city property and offers exceptional inducements to investors.

Terms of sale. One-half Cash, balance on six months credit, title reserved until all the purchase money is paid.

J. H. MARSH,
Administrator and Commissioner.

GEO. M. ROSE, Attorney.
September 11, 1896. d1t-w3t

Executor's Notice.

Having qualified as Executor of the last Will and Testament of the late John Averitt, deceased, late of Cumberland county, N. C., this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the 24th day of September, 1897, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery.

All persons indebted to the estate will please make immediate payment.

This 24th day of September, 1896.

J. B. TROY, Executor,
with will annexed.

Land for Sale.

By virtue of an order of the Superior Court of Cumberland County, N. C., in a proceeding by Wm. Clark, Administrator, against the heirs of Turner McNair, the undersigned, as Commissioner appointed for that purpose, will on Monday, November 19, 1896, at 12 o'clock, at the Court House in Fayetteville, N. C., expose to sale by Public Auction for Cash, a tract of land in Gray's Creek Township in said County, containing about 33 acres, known as "The Turner McNair Place."

WM. CLARK,
Administrator and Commissioner.
October 6, 1896.

Land Sale.

Pursuant to a decree of Cumberland Superior Court, July Term, 1896, in the case of A. A. Hinton, Administrator of Theophilus Hinton vs. Wm. Byrne, the undersigned Commissioner will expose to public sale at the Court House door in Fayetteville on Saturday, 10th October, 1896, at 12 o'clock M., for cash, a Tract of Land of 180 Acres—more or less—in Beaver Dam Township, Cumberland Co., N. C., on the East-side of Muddy Branch Bay, described fully in a deed from Wm. B. Bullard and wife to said Theophilus Hinton, dated 5th January, 1870, and registered in Bladen county in Book Y, page 404.

R. P. BUXTON,
18th September, 1896. Commissioner.

Land for Sale.

By virtue of an order of the Superior Court of Cumberland County made at May Term, 1896, in a cause entitled William McQueen, Administrator et al. vs. John R. Smith, the undersigned Commissioner will on Saturday, the 10th day of October, 1896, at 12 o'clock M., at the Market House in Fayetteville, N. C., sell to the highest bidder for cash, a certain tract of land in Cumberland County, adjoining the lands of Joe Tolar and the lands of the late Neill McQueen, containing about one thousand acres more or less, known as the Jackson place, being the lands upon which the said John R. Smith now resides.

N. A. SINCLAIR,
Sept. 8, 1896—oaw4w Commissioner.

OFFICE CLERK SUPERIOR COURT,
Fayetteville, N. C., Aug. 31, 1896.

By virtue of authority conferred on me by Section 5, Chapter 159, Acts of 1895, it is hereby

Ordered, That the Polling-place in Division No. 1, Cross Creek Township, be changed from Clarendon Mills to the Malberry-trees, near the intersection of "Canady" or "A" street with Main or Person street.

It is further Ordered, in accordance with Section 9 of said Chapter 159, that a new Registration be had in the following Townships, to wit: Cross Creek, Rockfish and Flea Hill.

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Clerk Superior Court.

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COLIN MACRAE.
Sept. 10, 1896—w4t

Valuable Real Estate for Sale.

By virtue of an order of the Superior Court of Cumberland County, N. C., in a proceeding by D. Shaw, Administrator, against the heirs of Duncan Shaw, to sell land to pay debts, the following lands of said Duncan Shaw, deceased, will be exposed to sale by public auction for cash, at the Court House door at 11 o'clock A. M., Saturday, October 24, 1896, viz:

1st. About 100 acres about 8 to 9 miles west of Fayetteville on the south side of the Chicken Road, known as "the Gass Place."

2nd. About 130 to 140 adjoining, known as "the Baker Land."

3rd. About 11 acres adjoining the lands of McCall and Ray.

The above three tracts are very valuable as farming land.

4th. The undivided fifth interest in about 300 acres on Little Rockfish creek, known as "the Gilbert Shaw Place."

5th. A tract of about 100 acres on Little Rockfish creek, near the Gilbert Shaw place.

DUNCAN SHAW,
Adm'r and Commissioner.
September 21, 1896.

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Progress of the Campaign.

Says the Chicago correspondent of the Atlanta Constitution:

The campaign is growing interesting. In Chicago as throughout the entire West, everybody is discussing politics. The most intense interest is manifested among all classes of people. The demand for literature on the money question is greater than was ever known. The people are studying the question for themselves.

On almost every street corner in Chicago every evening knots of men are gathered discussing silver and gold. Orators are speaking from dry goods boxes and curbstones in all parts of the city. The great majority of these men are talking in favor of silver. Those speaking for the gold standard can find no hearers, although a thousand or more of this character of man is now on the pay roll of Mark Hanna's committee.

Hanna is spending a mint of money. He has employed men not only in Chicago, but in all the doubtful States to organize voters in blocks of five after the manner of the once well known Dudley of Indiana. Unfortunately for Mr. Hanna, however, the Australian ballot prevails in all the doubtful States.

Great lists of converts from Republicanism to Democracy are furnished the Democratic headquarters here daily, and the tide in this city and State is undoubtedly turning toward Bryan.

Yesterday I wrote that not a single paper in the great city of Chicago was advocating the cause of Democracy. Yesterday, however, the Dispatch, the largest and most influential of Chicago's afternoon dailes, announced itself for Bryan and for Altgeld.

This means more than would appear on the surface. It means that the Dispatch has become convinced, contrary, perhaps, to its wishes, that both this State and city will give the Democratic ticket, both State and national, a tremendous majority.

Governor Altgeld himself predicts that this State will go Democratic by from 40,000 to 50,000 majority. He may be right and he might be wrong, but he is certainly in position to know the situation. If he does not nobody does.

I made reference yesterday to the Catholic priest who endeavored to have a bank in this city return him $500 in gold which he had deposited. The priest in question was Father Edward Kelly, pastor of St. Cecilia's church. It seems that Father Kelly is frequently called upon to act as business agent for parishioners who desire to deposit their hard-earned savings, or make investments of their scant incomes. A few weeks ago one of Father Kelly's parishioners—an old lady who had by rigid economy accumulated $500 in gold as the result of years of toil—came to him and said she was afraid the treasure, which was in twenty-dollar gold pieces, would be stolen, and begged her pastor to deposit it in a bank for her. Father Kelly complied with her request and deposited the gold in the Illinois Trust and Savings bank, of which John J. Mitchell is president. The bank readily took the yellow pieces and gave a certificate of deposit therefor.

A few days later the old lady came to the conclusion, after reading the goldbug newspapers' assertion that free coinage of silver would drive the gold out of the country, that she would prefer to have the gold coin in her own possession, and asked Father Kelly to get it for her. He cheerfully consented to do so, and, armed with the certificate of gold deposit, went to the Illinois Trust and Savings bank, where by the way, the reverend father had a balance of his own of some $20,000, and presented the lady's check for $500. To his intense surprise and indignation the paying teller coolly shoved out $500 in silver certificates. The good father refused to accept the certificates and made a vigorous demand for the gold.

"We are not paying gold out to anyone," was the cool response of the teller.

"But my parishioner deposited $500 in gold less than a week ago," said Father Kelly, "and she has a right to receive gold in return."

"That makes no difference to us," insolently responded the bank official. "You will have to take the silver certificates or nothing."

"But this a trust fund," the good father said, appealingly. "My client gave me gold and I must return gold to her. She will not accept silver certificates for gold."

The teller still refused. Father Kelly then appealed to President Mitchell, but met with refusal. The bank would receive all the gold that people might deposit, but the bank would not return a dollar in the yellow metal.

Father Kelly now denounces the cause of gold supported by this bank and is actively for Bryan.

He began a campaign by returning to the bank on the following day and transferring his account to another institution. Now he is working for Bryan, and so are his thousands of parishioners.

Evidences of effort to coerce workingmen are presented to democratic headquarters daily. The latest comes from Manistique, Mich. The North Shore Lumbering Company has just discharged Chas. D. Coon, a faithful mechanic, who has been in its employ for many years. Coon's offense was the advocacy of the cause of free coinage among other employes of that institution.

In the note of discharge the president of the company says:

"I will not employ any man who talks such absurd doctrines as free silver. I propose to teach this man a lesson. Let him obtain work from those of his own caliber. I do not believe in paying out money to support men who advocate such a cause."

Scores of other great concerns in the west, as well as in other sections, are resorting to such practices to coerce their workingmen into voting the republican ticket. In consequence this class of citizens fear to make any demonstration; but the democratic managers are receiving confidential assurances from them that when they go to the polls they will vote the democratic ticket.

It is fortunate for the democracy in this campaign that the Australian ballot prevails. In that lies the safety of the cause.

General Weaver, of Iowa, was here today. He declares that Iowa will give a tremendous majority for Bryan. He says that personally he has come in contact with at least 20,000 former republicans who will vote for Bryan and Sewall in this election.

An Emphatic Denial.

Correspondence of the Observer.

MR. EDITOR:—I am informed that a report is in circulation that I have left the Democratic party. I desire to say that the report is utterly false and without foundation. I have always been a Democrat, and this year when our party has embraced the fundamental truths of Democracy and declared in favor of the great common people of the country and against the plutocratic classes, while the Republican party has declared in the interest of the wealthy plutocrats of the North, it would indeed be without palliation or excuse for a Democrat to desert his party.

Respectfully,
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Committeeman Daniels on the Situation.

Raleigh News and Observer, Oct. 2.

Mr. Josephus Daniels, member of the Democratic National Executive committee from North Carolina, who accompanied Mr. Bryan in his recent trip through New England and the Middle States, returned home yesterday morning, after an absence of two weeks. Mr. Daniels met Senator Jones, Senator German, Senator Faulkner, and other prominent Democratic leaders in New York, and returns to his editorial duties with absolute confidence that Mr. Bryan will be elected President by an overwhelming majority of the popular vote, and have a large majority in the electoral college.

"The peculiar conditions that mark this campaign," said Mr. Daniels, "make it more difficult to predict the result than ever in the past. Heretofore the Republicans have started in the campaign with the certainty of carrying all the Western States and Iowa, Kansas, Minnesota, Michigan and Ohio. This year they enter the last month with the certainty, or probability of losing every one of them. The campaign has been fought and won for silver in the West before the campaign opened, just as it had been in the South. The efforts that have been made to persuade or buy the voters of those States to desert free silver have already been virtually abandoned, and the Republicans who are frank admit that they have not the ghost of a chance to carry a single State West of the Mississippi, or South of the Potomac. These Western States will give Bryan the following electoral vote:

Washington	4
Oregon	4
California	9
Nevada	3
Idaho	3
Montana	3
Wyoming	3
Colorado	4
North Dakota	3
South Dakota	4
Nebraska	8
Kansas	10
Minnesota	9
Iowa	13
Missouri	17
Arkansas	8
Louisiana	8
Texas	15
Total from the West	128

"To these votes west of the Mississippi river which I put in the certain Bryan column with good cause, and about which there is not room to cavil, I add the following votes, which he is certain to get in the South, east of the Mississippi river:

Tennessee	12
Mississippi	9
Alabama	11
Georgia	13
Florida	4
South Carolina	9
North Carolina	11
Virginia	12
West Virginia	6
Total from the South	87

"These States which are as certain to vote for Bryan as November 4th arrives, gives Mr. Bryan 215 votes. It requires 224 to elect, leaving only 9 more votes to receive to insure his election. I am confident that there is not ground for any doubt about his getting the following States, though I do not put them in the above tables because there is an element of doubt about them in some minds:

Kentucky	13
Maryland	8
Delaware	3
Indiana	15
Illinois	24
Michigan	14
Total	77

"If Mr. Bryan gets all these electoral votes, as I believe he will be certain to do, his total vote in the electoral college will be 292, or 68 more than is necessary for his election. This leaves Ohio and Wisconsin, which are both doubtful States, in the West, and the Eastern States, where a battle royal is being waged. Nobody can safely predict the result in the Eastern States, because the conditions there are anomalous, but in three or four of them the Democrats have a good chance to win, and in some of the rock-ribbed Republican New England States the sentiment for free coinage is growing so rapidly that the Republicans are badly frightened. To illustrate the truth of this, the Republicans up to date have spent more money in New England in the vain effort "to check the free silver wave" than they have heretofore expended in an entire Presidential campaign.

Senator Jones Confident.

Raleigh News and Observer.

"My information," said Chairman Manly yesterday "as to the condition of National affairs is most encouraging, as the following letter received this day from Chairman Jones discloses:

"*Hon. Clement Manly, Raleigh, N. C.:*

"MY DEAR SIR:—I am very much gratified by your letter with regard to Mr. Bryan's trip. I am delighted that it was so pleasant and successful. His campaign has been from beginning up to now a marvelous success. He is gaining strength every day, and I certainly have no doubt of his overwhelming success. Be sure that the "Old North State" does her full duty.

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"JAS. K. JONES,
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WHEREAS, The Democratic party had its birth in Jefferson's great contest against the centralization of the powers of the Federal Government, and in behalf of the strict construction of the Federal Constitution embodied in the Tenth Amendment thereto, in which all powers not delegated to it were expressly reserved to the States respectively, or to the people; and

Whereas, The Republican party has ever been a party of centralization:

Resolved, That we appeal to the people to observe this fundamental difference between the Democratic party and its traditional enemy in respect to the powers of the central Government; That the Constitution recognizes gold and silver as the primary or redemption money of these States; and, That, in the words of the Democratic national platform of 1884, "we believe in honest money, the gold and silver coinage of the Constitution, and a circulating medium convertible into such money without loss."

We favor, independently of other nations, the free and unlimited coinage of silver and gold without discrimination against either, at the present legal ratio of 16 to 1; and we condemn the system which in time of peace, with millions of silver bullion lying in the treasury, has forced the Government within two years to issue nearly $212,000,000 in bonds. We condemn the action of the Secretary of the Treasury in following the Republican precedent of paying the obligations of the Government in gold, which were specifically made payable in coin.

We hereby instruct our delegates to the National convention, both as to platform and candidates, to advocate and vote as a unit, unflinchingly and at all hazzards, for the restoration of silver, and otherwise to act in obedience to the letter and spirit of the principles herein enunciated. We further instruct our delegates, State and district, to use all their efforts to abrogate the two-thirds rule, if necessary to secure the nomination of a candidate in complete, in hearty and in known accord with the principles herein enunciated by us.

We warn the people against the threatened combined evils of the gold standard and the McKinley tariff. These twin monsters go hand in hand in their mission of destruction, drawing the very sustenance from the body of the people, and concentrating all wealth and power in the hands of the few.

We denounce the McKinley tariff and all other forms of protective tariff legislation, and favor a constitutional tariff for revenue only.

We favor the repeal of the unconstitutional tax of ten per cent. on State banks of issue.

We declare ourselves in favor of a graduated income tax in order that wealth may bear its due proportion of the burden of supporting the Government, and we favor an immediate amendment of the constitution of the United States, authorizing its levy and collection in express terms, leaving nothing for judicial construction.

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We favor the prompt, just and impartial administration of the criminal law of the State, and we point with pride to the fact that a Democratic Legislature first enacted a law against lynching and that the faithful execution of the same has virtually suppressed that crime.

We cordially invite all men, regardless of former political associations, to unite with us in a fight to the finish for free silver, for lower taxes, for higher prices for agricultural products and labor, for the economical administration of the Government and for the freedom and individual sovereignty of the American citizen.

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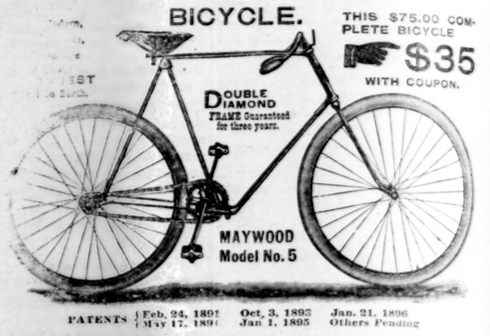

PATENTS { Feb. 24, 1891 / May 17, 1891 } Oct. 3, 1893 / Jan. 1, 1895 } Jan. 21, 1896 / Others Pending

The "Maywood" is the *strongest and simplest bicycle* ever made. Adapted for all kinds of roads and riders. Made of material that is *solid, tough and wiry*; simple in construction easily taken apart and put together; has few parts; is of such wiry construction that it can be ridden with but little repair; and is not liable to crush in at every contact a part that cannot be broken; so simple that its adjusting parts serve as its connecting parts; a place to crank in place of a dozen parts; *always* ready to give reliable and rapid service. Has improved double diamond, **guaranteed for three years.** Made of 5-inch tubing, rolled steel rods (toughest and strongest metal for its weight known); joined together with malleable bronze fittings in such a manner that it is impossible to break or injure any part working; a marvel of novelty, simplicity and durability; the greatest combination of high grade bicycle mechanism known, to build a frame without brazen joints and tubing, as you know that is continually breaking and fracture at brazen joints, and tubes when they once break cannot be repaired. WHEELS—28-inch; warranted wood rims, piano wire tangent spokes and brass nipples. HUBS—Large barrel pattern. TIRES—"Arlington" Roadster. Hodgman & Wright Quick Repair, or some other first-class pneumatic tire. BEARINGS—Ball bearings to every part, including wheels, crank axle, steering head and pedals. CUPS AND CONES—Best quality tool steel, carefully tempered and hardened. CHAINS—High grade hard-ened centers, rear adjustment. CRANKS—Our celebrated one-piece crank, fully protected by patented dust-proof tubing. REACH—Shortest, 2 inches; longest, 37 inches. GEARS—64 or 72. FRONT FORK—Indestructible; fork crown made from gun-barrel steel. HANDLE BAR—Reversable and adjustable; easily adjusted to any position desired; rim's ears finished if ordered. SADDLE—Des Moines, Cushion, or some other first-class make. PEDALS—Rat-trap or rubber; full ball bearing. FINISH—Enameled in black, with all bright parts nickel plated. Each Bicycle complete with tool bag, pump, wrench and oiler. Weight, according to tires, pedals, saddles, etc., 27 to 35 pounds.

$10 is our Special Wholesale Price. Never before sold for less. To quickly introduce the "Maywood" Bicycle, we have decided to make a special coupon offer, giving every reader of this paper a chance to get a first-class wheel at the lowest price ever offered. On receipt of $35.00 *and coupon* we will ship to anyone the above Bicycle, securely crated, and guarantee safe delivery. Money refunded if not as represented after arrival and examination. We will ship C. O. D. with privilege of examination, for $36.00 and coupon provided $5.00 is sent with order as a guarantee of good faith. A written binding warranty with each Bicycle. This is a chance of a lifetime and you cannot afford to let the opportunity pass. Address all orders to

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CONDENSED SCHEDULE.

In Effect August 23d, 1896.

NORTH BOUND. No. 2 daily

Leave Wilmington,	7:35 a m
Arrive Fayetteville,	10:45 "
Leave Fayetteville,	11:05 "
Leave Fayetteville Junction,	11:15 "
Leave Sanford,	12:40 p m
Leave Climax,	2:40 "
Arrive Greensboro,	3:05 "
Leave Greensboro,	3:15 "
Leave Stokesdale,	4:02 "
Arrive Walnut Cove,	4:32 "
Leave Walnut Cove,	4:38 "
Leave Rural Hall,	5:12 "
Arrive Mt. Airy,	6:3 "

SOUTH BOUND. No. 1, Daily.

Leave Mt. Airy,	9:45 a m
Leave Rural Hall,	11:09 "
Arrive Walnut Cove,	11:37 "
Leave Walnut Cove	11:45 "
Leave Stokesdale,	12:12 p m
Arrive Greensboro,	12:58 "
Leave Greensboro,	1:03
Leave Climax,	1:32 "
Leave Sanford,	3:19 "
Arrive Fayetteville Junction,	4:30 "
Arrive Fayetteville,	4:33 "
Leave Fayetteville,	4:45 "
Arrive Wilmington,	7:55 "

NORTH BOUND. No. 4, Daily

Leave Bennettsville,	8:45 a. m
Arrive Maxton,	9:45 "
Leave Maxton,	9:50 "
Leave Red Springs,	10:15 "
Leave Hope Mills,	10:53 "
Arrive Fayetteville,	11:10

SOUTH BOUND. No. 3, Daily

Leave Fayetteville,	4:43 p. m.
Leave Hope Mills,	5:00 "
Leave Red Springs,	5:42 "
Arrive Maxton,	6:10 "
Leave Maxton,	6:15 "
Arrive Bennettsville,	7:15 "

NORTH BOUND. No. 16, Mixed, Daily Except Sunday

Leave Rameur,	6:45 a. m
Leave Climax,	8:35 "
Leave Greensboro,	9:20 "
Leave Greensboro,	9:35 "
Leave Stokesdale,	10:50 "
Arrive Madison	11:30 "

SOUTH BOUND. No. 15, Mixed, Except Sunda

Leave Madison,	12:25 p. m
Leave Stokesdale,	1:28 "
Arrive Greensboro,	2:35 "
Leave Greensboro,	3:10 "
Leave Climax,	4:05 "
Arrive Rameur,	5:50 "

NORTH BOUND CONNECTIONS.

at Fayetteville with Atlantic Coast Line for all points North and East, at Sanford with the Seaboard Air Line, at Greensboro with the Southern Railway Company, at Walnut Cove with the Norfolk & Western Railroad for Winston-Salem.

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TRAINS GOING SOUTH.

DATED Jan. 27, 1895.

	No. 23 Daily.	No. 35. Daily.	No. 27 Daily.	136, 41, 135 Daily.
	A. M.	P. M.	A. M.	
Leave Weldon	11 03	9 27	.....	.....
Ar. Rocky Mount	12 57	10 20	.....	.....
Leave Tarboro	12 20	.....	.....	.....
Lv Rocky Mount	1 05	10 20	.....	6 00 .....
Leave Wilson	2 03	11 03	.....	.....
Leave Selma	2 53	.....	.....	.....
Lv. Fayetteville	4 30	12 55	.....	.....
Arrive Florence	7 15	3 00	.....	.....

	No. 47 Daily.			
	P. M.			
Leave Wilson	2 08	.....	6 35	.....
Leave Go-dboro	2 55	.....	7 20	.....
Leave Magnolia	4 02	.....	8 40	.....
Ar. Wilmington	5 30	.....	10 00	.....
	P. M.		A. M.	

TRAINS GOING NORTH.

DATED Jan. 27, 1895.

	No. 78 Daily.		No. 32. Daily.		No. 40 Daily.	
	A. M.		P. M.			
Leave Florence	8 15	.....	7 15	.....		
Lv. Fayetteville	10 55	.....	9 19	.....		
Leave Selma	12 32	.....	11 18	.....		
Arrive Wilson	1 20	.....	11 18	.....		
Leave Tarboro	2 48	.....	.....	.....		
	P. M.					

	No. 48 Daily.			
	A. M.		P. M.	
Lv. Wilmington	9 20	.....	7 00	.....
Leave Magnolia	10 56	.....	8 31	.....
Leave Goldsboro	12 05	.....	9 40	.....
Arrive Wilson	1 00	.....	10 27	.....

	No. 78 Daily.			No. 40 Daily.	
	P. M.		P. M.	P. M.	.....
Leave Wilson	1 30	.....	11 20	10 32	.....
Ar Rocky Mount	2 33	.....	12 02	11 15	.....
Arrive Tarboro	2 48	.....	.....	..